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(54) Title: AMYLOID BETA ANTIBODIES FOR USE IN IMPROVING COGNITION

(57) Abstract: The invention provides improved agents and methods for treatment of diseases associated with beta amyloid (A $\beta$ ). Preferred agents include antibodies, e.g., humanized antibodies specific for A $\beta$ .

## AMYLOID BETA ANTIBODIES FOR USE IN IMPROVING COGNITION

**Related Applications**

This application claims the benefit of priority to U.S provisional patent applications bearing Serial No. 60/636,810 (filed December 15, 2004), Serial No. 60/637,138 (filed December 16, 2004), and Serial No. 60/735,687 (filed November 10, 2005), all entitled "A $\beta$  Antibodies for Use in Improving Cognition." The entire contents of each of the above-referenced provisional patent applications are incorporated herein by reference.

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**Background of the Invention**

Memory is a key cognitive function involving the storage and/or retrieval by the brain of information received from past experiences. Learning, also referred to as conditioning, is the process by which new information is acquired and stored by the nervous system to form a memory. In patients with dementia, the cognitive pathways for learning and/or memory are impaired, such that the patient fails to learn or effectively form new memories or recall old ones. The number of individuals exhibiting dementia is rising rapidly, and the rate of rise is expected to increase as the general population continues to age and life expectancy continues to lengthen. Patients with dementia require increasingly costly and intensive caregiving as their symptoms worsen. As such, medical interventions that delay institutionalization would help reduce the demands on healthcare systems, in addition to alleviating the sufferings of the subject with the dementia.

The development of profound dementia is characteristic of several amyloidogenic disorders noted for the accumulation of amyloid protein deposits in the brain tissue of affected subjects, including Down's syndrome, cerebral amyloid angiopathy, vascular dementias, and Alzheimer's disease (AD). AD is a progressive disease resulting in senile dementia. Broadly speaking, the disease falls into two categories: late onset, which occurs in old age (65 + years) and early onset, which develops well before the senile period, *i.e.*, between 35 and 60 years.

Neurodegeneration is associated with amyloidogenic disorders and other dementia disorders such that the cognitive symptoms progressively worsen with age. The diagnosis of an amyloidogenic disorder can usually only be confirmed by the

distinctive cellular pathology that is evident on post-mortem examination of the brain. The histopathology consists of at least one of three principal features including the presence of neurofibrillary tangles (NT), the diffuse loss of synapses and neurons in central nervous system tissues, and the presence of amyloid plaques (also called senile plaques). See generally Selkoe, *TINS* 16:403 (1993); Hardy *et al.*, WO 92/13069; Selkoe, *J. Neuropathol. Exp. Neurol.* 53:438 (1994); Duff *et al.*, *Nature* 373:476 (1995); Games *et al.*, *Nature* 373:523 (1995).

The principal constituent of the plaques is a peptide termed A $\beta$  or  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide. A $\beta$  peptide is an approximately 4-kDa internal fragment of 39-43 amino acids of a larger transmembrane glycoprotein named protein termed amyloid precursor protein (APP). As a result of proteolytic processing of APP by different secretase enzymes, A $\beta$  is primarily found in both a short form, 40 amino acids in length, and a long form, ranging from 42-43 amino acids in length. Part of the hydrophobic transmembrane domain of APP is found at the carboxy end of A $\beta$ , and may account for the ability of A $\beta$  to aggregate into plaques, particularly in the case of the long form. Accumulation of amyloid plaques in the brain eventually leads to neuronal cell death. The physical symptoms associated with this type of neural deterioration characterize AD.

Several mutations within the APP protein have been correlated with the presence of AD. See, e.g., Goate *et al.*, *Nature* 349:704 (1991) (valine<sup>717</sup> to isoleucine); Chartier Harlan *et al.*, *Nature* 353:844 (1991) (valine<sup>717</sup> to glycine); Murrell *et al.*, *Science* 254:97 (1991) (valine<sup>717</sup> to phenylalanine); Mullan *et al.*, *Nature Genet.* 1:345 (1992) (a double mutation changing lysine<sup>595</sup>-methionine<sup>596</sup> to asparagine<sup>595</sup>-leucine<sup>596</sup>). Such mutations are thought to cause AD by increased or altered processing of APP to A $\beta$ , particularly processing of APP to increased amounts of the long form of A $\beta$  (*i.e.*, A $\beta$ 1-42 and A $\beta$ 1-43). Mutations in other genes, such as the presenilin genes, PS1 and PS2, are thought indirectly to affect processing of APP to generate increased amounts of long form A $\beta$  (see Hardy, *TINS* 20: 154 (1997)).

Mouse models have been used successfully to determine the significance of amyloid plaques in AD (Games *et al.*, *supra*; Johnson-Wood *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 94:1550 (1997)). In particular, when PDAPP transgenic mice, (which express a mutant form of human APP and develop AD pathology at a young age), are injected with the long form of A $\beta$ , they display both a decrease in the progression of AD

Pathology and an increase in antibody titers to the A $\beta$  peptide (Schenk *et al.*, *Nature* 400, 173 (1999)). The above findings implicate A $\beta$ , particularly in its long form, as a causative element in AD.

A $\beta$  peptide can exist in solution and can be detected in the central nervous system (CNS) (*e.g.*, in cerebral spinal fluid (CSF)) and plasma. Under certain conditions, soluble A $\beta$  is transformed into fibrillary, toxic,  $\beta$ -sheet forms found in neuritic plaques and cerebral blood vessels of patients with AD. Several treatments have been developed which attempt to prevent the formation of A $\beta$  peptide, for example, the use of chemical inhibitors to prevent the cleavage of APP. Immunotherapeutic treatments have also been investigated as a means to reduce the density and size of existing plaques. These strategies include passive immunization with various anti-A $\beta$  antibodies that induce clearance of amyloid deposits, as well as active immunization with soluble forms of A $\beta$  peptide to promote a humoral response that includes generation of anti-A $\beta$  antibodies and cellular clearance of the deposits. Both active and passive immunization have been tested as in mouse models of AD. In PDAPP mice, immunization with A $\beta$  was shown to prevent the development of plaque formation, neuritic dystrophy and astrogliosis. Treatment of older animals also markedly reduced the extent and progression of these AD-like neuropathologies. Schenk *et al.*, *supra*. A $\beta$  immunization was also shown to reduce plaques and behavioral impairment in the TgCRND8 murine model of AD. Janus *et al.* (2000) *Nature* 408:979-982. A $\beta$  immunization also improved cognitive performance and reduced amyloid burden in Tg 2576 APP/PS1 mutant mice. Morgan *et al.* (2000) *Nature* 408:982-985. Passive immunization of PDAPP transgenic mice has also been investigated. It was found, for example, that peripherally administered antibodies enter the central nervous system (CNS) and induced plaque clearance *in vivo*. Bard *et al.* (2000) *Nat. Med.* 6:916-919. The antibodies were further shown to induce Fc receptor-mediated phagocytosis in an *ex vivo* assay. Antibodies specific for the N-terminus of A $\beta$ 42 have been demonstrated to be particularly effective in reducing plaque both *ex vivo* and *in vivo*. See U.S. Patent No. 6,761,888 and Bard *et al.* (2003) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 100:2023-2028. Antibodies specific for the mid-region of A $\beta$ 42 also showed efficacy. U.S. Patent No. 6,761,888

Two mechanisms are proposed for effective plaque clearance by immunotherapeutics, *i.e.*, central degradation and peripheral degradation. The central

degradation mechanism relies on antibodies being able to cross the blood-brain barrier, bind to plaques, and induce clearance of pre-existing plaques. Clearance has been shown to be promoted through an Fc-receptor-mediated phagocytosis (Bard, *et al.* (2000) *Nat. Med.* 6:916-19). The peripheral degradation mechanism of A $\beta$  clearance  
5 relies on a disruption of the dynamic equilibrium of A $\beta$  between brain, CSF, and plasma by anti-A $\beta$  antibodies, leading to transport of A $\beta$  from one compartment to another. Centrally derived A $\beta$  is transported into the CSF and the plasma where it is degraded. Recent studies have concluded that soluble and unbound A $\beta$  are involved in the memory impairment associated with AD, even without reduction in amyloid deposition in the  
10 brain. Further studies are needed to determine the action and/or interplay of these pathways for A $\beta$  clearance (Dodel, *et al.*, *The Lancet*, 2003, 2:215)

While the majority of treatments to date have been aimed at reducing amyloid plaque buildup, it has been recently noted that certain cognitive impairments (e.g. hippocampal-dependent conditioning defects) associated with amyloidogenic  
15 disorders begin to appear before amyloid deposits and gross neuropathology are evident (Dineley *et al.*, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 2002, 227: 22768). Furthermore, while the pathogenic role of amyloid peptide aggregated into plaques has been known for many years, the severity of dementia or cognitive deficits is only somewhat correlated with the density of plaques whereas a significant correlation exists with the levels of soluble A $\beta$ . (see, e.g.,  
20 McLean *et al.*, *Ann Neurol*, 46:860-866 (1999). Some studies have shown or suggested that soluble A $\beta$  oligomers are implicated in synaptotoxicity and memory impairment in APP transgenic mice due to mechanisms including increased oxidative stress and induction of programmed cell death. (See, e.g., Lambert, *et al.*, (1998), PNAS, 95: 6448-53; Naslund *et al.*, (2000), *JAMA*, 283: 1571; Mucke *et al.*, *J Neurosci*, 20:4050-4058  
25 (2000); Morgan *et al.*, *Nature*, 408:982-985 (2000); Dodart *et al.*, *Nat Neurosci*, 5:452-457 (2002); Selkoe *et al.*, (2002), *Science*, 298: 789-91; Walsh *et al.*, *Nature*, 416:535-539 (2002)). These results indicate that neurodegeneration may begin prior to, and is not solely the result of, amyloid deposition. Accordingly, there exists the need for new therapies and reagents for the treatment of AD, in particular, therapies and reagents  
30 capable of effecting a therapeutic benefit *via* intervention with various mechanisms of A $\beta$ -induced neurotoxicity.

### Summary of the Invention

The present invention features immunological reagents, in particular, therapeutic antibody reagents for the prevention and treatment of A $\beta$ -related diseases or disorders, in particular, for therapeutically effecting improvement in cognition (*e.g.*, 5 rapid improvement in cognition) in patients having or at risk for an A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder. The invention is based, at least in part, on the identification and characterization of several monoclonal antibodies that specifically bind to epitopes within A $\beta$  peptide. The invention features selection of A $\beta$  antibodies having particular activities, in particular, the ability to preferentially bind to soluble, oligomeric A $\beta$  and/or 10 the ability to rapidly improve cognition as determined in an appropriate animal of A $\beta$ -related cognitive deficit.

Structural and functional analysis of these antibodies leads to the design of various humanized antibodies for prophylactic and/or therapeutic use. In particular, the invention features humanization of the variable regions of this antibody and, 15 accordingly, provides for humanized immunoglobulin or antibody chains, intact humanized immunoglobulins or antibodies, and functional immunoglobulin or antibody fragments, in particular, antigen binding fragments, of the featured antibody.

The immunoglobulins described herein are particularly suited for use in therapeutic methods aimed at preventing or treating A $\beta$ -related diseases or disorders or 20 symptoms or indications related thereto. In certain embodiments, the invention features therapeutic and/or prophylactic methods effective in preventing or ameliorating the dementia and/or cognitive deficits that are observed in patients having or at risk for A $\beta$ -related disease or disorders. In particular, the invention provides improved therapeutic and/or prophylactic methods comprising administration of therapeutic agents that 25 interfere at early stages in the pathogenesis of the diseases or disorders and prevent irreversible neural damage and/or dementia. Featured aspects of the present invention provide methods for rapidly improving cognition in a subject that involve administration of an immunological reagent of the invention, or pharmaceutical composition comprising said immunological reagent. Preferred immunological reagents include, but 30 are not limited to antibodies, humanized antibodies, chimeric antibodies, single-chain antibodies, bispecific antibodies, antibody fragments, antibody chains, antibody or antibody claim variants thereof (*e.g.* Fc antibody variants), or combinations thereof.

In other aspects of the invention, methods for effecting prolonged improvement of cognition in a subject are featured that involve administration of an immunological reagent or pharmaceutical composition comprising said reagent.

In exemplary embodiments, the methods of the invention involve the 5 administration of an immunological reagent, which is effective at binding A $\beta$ , in particular, A $\beta$  oligomers and/or rapidly improving cognition in a subject having or at risk for an A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder.

In some embodiments, an immunoglobulin of the invention comprises one or more alterations in the hinge region, for example, at EU positions 234, 235, 236 10 and/or 237. In a particular embodiment, an immunoglobulin according to the invention is a humanized 12A11 antibody including amino acid alterations at positions 234 and 237 of the hinge region (i.e., L234A and G237A).

In further embodiments, immunoglobulins of the invention comprise pegylated antibody fragments, *e.g.*, Fabs and Fab's. In yet other embodiments, 15 immunoglobulins of the invention comprise an aglycosylated constant region. In an exemplary embodiment, an immunoglobulin includes an amino acid substitution of an asparagine at position 297 to an alanine, thereby preventing glycosylation of the immunoglobulin.

In some embodiments, a humanized immunoglobulin of the invention 20 comprises complementarity determining regions of a 6C6, 2B1, 1C2 or 9G8 antibody produced by the cell line having ATCC Accession Number \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_, respectively. In some embodiments, a humanized immunoglobulin is a humanized version of a monoclonal antibody 6C6, 2B1, 1C2 or 9G8 produced by a cell line having the ATCC Accession Number \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, 25 \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_, respectively.

Also featured herein are methods of increasing expression of immunoglobulins by deleting one or more introns in a gene which encodes the heavy chain of the immunoglobulin.

Additionally, this invention relates to methods of treatment, as described 30 herein, using one or more immunoglobulins of the invention.

### **Brief Description of the Drawings**

Figure 1 depicts an alignment of the amino acid sequences of the light chain of mouse 3D6 (SEQ ID NO:2), humanized 3D6 version 1 (SEQ ID NO: 6), Kabat ID 109230 (SEQ ID NO: 60) and germline A19 (SEQ ID NO: 61) antibodies. CDR regions are indicated by arrows. Bold italics indicate rare murine residues. Bold indicates packing (VH + VL) residues. Solid fill indicates canonical/CDR interacting residues. Asterisks indicate residues selected for backmutation in humanized 3D6, version 1.

Figure 2 depicts an alignment of the amino acid sequences of the heavy chain of mouse 3D6 (SEQ ID NO: 4), humanized 3D6 version 1 (SEQ ID NO:8), Kabat ID 045919 (SEQ ID NO: 62) and germline VH3-23 (SEQ ID NO: 63) antibodies. Annotation is the same as for Figure 1.

Figure 3 depicts an alignment of the murine 10D5 VL (SEQ ID NO:14) and 3D6 VL (SEQ ID NO:2) amino acid sequences. Bold indicates residues that match 10D5 exactly. CDRs are boxed. Numbering is according to Kabat.

Figure 4 depicts an alignment of the murine 10D5 VH (SEQ ID NO:16) and 3D6 VH (SEQ ID NO:4) amino acid sequences. Annotation is the same as for Figure 3.

Figure 5A-B depicts an alignment of the amino acid sequences of the light chain of mouse 12B4 (mature peptide, SEQ ID NO:18), humanized 12B4 version 1 (mature peptide, SEQ ID NO:22), Kabat ID 005036 (mature peptide, SEQ ID NO:64) and germline A19 (X63397, mature peptide, SEQ ID NO:61) antibodies. CDR regions are stippled and overlined. The single backmutation of a human → mouse residue is indicated by the asterisk. The importance of the shaded residues is shown in the legend. Numbering is according to Kabat.

Figure 6A-B depicts an alignment of the amino acid sequences of the heavy chain of mouse 12B4 (mature peptide, SEQ ID NO:20), humanized 12B4 (version 1) (mature peptide, SEQ ID NO:24), Kabat ID 000333 (mature peptide, SEQ ID NO:65), and germline VH4-39 and VH4-61 antibodies (mature peptides, SEQ ID NOS: 66 and 67, respectively). Annotation is the same as for Figure 5.

Figure 7 depicts a Western blot of immunoprecipitates of peroxynitrite treated oligomeric A $\beta$ <sub>1-42</sub> preparation precipitated with various A $\beta$  antibodies (3D6, 6C6, 12A11, 12B4, 3A3, 266, 9G8, 15C11, and 6H9) and imaged with 3D6. The

approximate positions of A $\beta$ <sub>1-42</sub> monomer, dimer, trimer and tetramer bands are indicated on the left-hand side of the figure. Indicated below each A $\beta$  antibody is the A $\beta$  epitope recognized by the antibody and contextual fear conditioning (CFC) assay results for the antibody, a “+” notation indicates an observation of increased cognition  
5 upon treatment with the antibody, a “-” notation indicates an observation of no change in cognition upon treatment with the antibody, and a “+/-” notation indicates an observation of a trend of increased cognition upon treatment with the antibody but the observed trend was not statistically significant enough to be indicated as an observation of increased cognition.

10 *Figure 8* depicts a Western blot of immunoprecipitates of peroxynitrite treated oligomeric A $\beta$ <sub>1-42</sub> preparation precipitated with various A $\beta$  antibodies (3D6, 6C6, 12A11, 12B4, 10D5, 3A3, 266 and 6H9) and imaged with 3D6. Annotation is the same as for Figure 7.

15 *Figure 9A* depicts the results of a CFC assay in which rapid improvement in cognition is observed following the administration of single doses of murine 12A11 (1, 10, and 30 mg/kg) to Tg2576 mice. *Figure 9B* depicts the results of a CFC assay in which rapid improvement in cognition is observed following the administration of single, low doses of murine 12A11 (0.3 and 1 mg/kg) to Tg2576 mice.

20 *Figure 10* depicts the effect of three N-terminal anti-A $\beta$  antibodies (3D6, 12A11, and 266), on contextual-dependent memory in wild-type and Tg2576 mice as determined by a contextual fear conditioning (CFC) assay.

25 *Figure 11A* depicts the results of a study in which the duration of improved cognition following the administration of a single dose of murine 12A11 (1 mg/kg) is assessed at 1, 10, and 17 days post-administration in a contextual fear conditioning (CFC) assay.

*Figure 11B* depicts the results of a study in which the duration of improved cognition following the administration of a single dose of murine 266 (3 mg/kg) is assessed at 1, 5, 10, and 17 days post-administration in a contextual fear conditioning (CFC) assay.

30 *Figure 12* depicts the effect of anti-A $\beta$  antibodies (12A11 and 266), on contextual-dependent memory in wild-type and a doubly transgenic AD mouse model as determined by a contextual fear conditioning (CFC) assay.

Figure 13 depicts an alignment of the amino acid sequences of the light chain of murine (or chimeric) 12A11 (SEQ ID NO:28), humanized 12A11 version 1 (mature peptide, SEQ ID NO:32), GenBank BAC01733 (SEQ ID NO: 68) and germline A19 (X63397, SEQ ID NO: 61) antibodies. CDR regions are boxed. Packing residues  
5 are underlined. Numbering is according to Kabat.

Figure 14 depicts an alignment of the amino acid sequences of the heavy chain of murine (or chimeric) 12A11 (SEQ ID NO:30), humanized 12A11 (version 1) (mature peptide, SEQ ID NO:34), GenBank AAA69734 (SEQ ID NO:69), and germline GenBank 567123 antibodies (SEQ ID NO:70). Packing residues are underlined,  
10 canonical residues are in solid fill and vernier residues are in dotted fill. Numbering is according to Kabat.

Figures 15A-B depict an alignment of the amino acid sequences of the heavy chains of humanized 12A11 v1 (SEQ ID NO:34), v2 (SEQ ID NO:35), v2.1 (SEQ ID NO:36), v3 (SEQ ID NO:37), v3.1 (SEQ ID NO:39), v4.1 (SEQ ID NO:40), v4.2  
15 (SEQ ID NO:41), v4.3 (SEQ ID NO:42), v4.4 (SEQ ID NO:43), v5.1 (SEQ ID NO:44), v5.2 (SEQ ID NO:45), v5.3 (SEQ ID NO:46), v5.4 (SEQ ID NO:47), v5.5 (SEQ ID NO:48), v5.6 (SEQ ID NO:49), v6.1 (SEQ ID NO:50), v6.2 (SEQ ID NO:51), v6.3  
NO:48), v6.4 (SEQ ID NO:53), v7 (SEQ ID NO:54) and v8 (SEQ ID NO:55).  
Figure 15C sets forth the backmutations made in humanized 12A11 v1 to v8.

20 Figure 16 depicts the results of a CFC assay in which rapid improvement in cognition is observed following the administration of single doses of the humanized 12A11 antibody v3.1 h12A11 (1, 10, and 30 mg/kg) to Tg2576 mice.

Figure 17 is an alignment of the heavy chain variable domains of 15C11, 9G8, 266 and 6H9 anti-A $\beta$  antibodies. Kabat numbering of the amino acids for 15C11  
25 is shown above the sequence. The leader sequence is shown in lower case and the CDRs are bolded.

Figure 18 is an alignment of the light chain variable domains of 15C11, 9G8 and 266 anti-A $\beta$  antibodies. Kabat numbering of the amino acids for 15C11 is shown above the sequence. The leader sequence is shown in lower case and the CDRs  
30 are bolded.

### **Detailed Description of the Invention**

Prior to describing the invention, it may be helpful to an understanding thereof to set forth definitions of certain terms to be used hereinafter.

#### **I**            **Definitions**

- 5                 The term “A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder” as used herein refers to a disease or disorder associated with, or characterized by, the development or presence of an A $\beta$  peptide. In one embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is associated with or characterized by the presence of soluble A $\beta$ . In another embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is associated with or characterized by the presence of insoluble A $\beta$ .
- 10          In another embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is associated with or characterized by the presence of a neuroactive A $\beta$  species (NA $\beta$ ). In another embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is also an amyloidogenic disorder. In another embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is characterized by an A $\beta$ -related cognitive deficit or disorder, for example, an A $\beta$ -related dementia disorder.
- 15          Exemplary A $\beta$ -related diseases or disorders include Alzheimer’s disease (AD), Down’s syndrome, cerebral amyloid angiopathy, certain vascular dementias, and mild cognitive impairment (MCI).

The terms “ $\beta$ -amyloid protein”, “ $\beta$ -amyloid peptide”, “ $\beta$ -amyloid”, “A $\beta$ ” and “A $\beta$  peptide” are used interchangeably herein. A $\beta$  peptide (*e.g.*, A $\beta$ 39, A $\beta$ 40, 20 A $\beta$ 41, A $\beta$ 42 and A $\beta$ 43) is a ~4-kDa internal fragment of 39-43 amino acids of the larger transmembrane glycoprotein termed Amyloid Precursor Protein (APP). Multiple isoforms of APP exist, for example APP<sup>695</sup>, APP<sup>751</sup>, and APP<sup>770</sup>. Amino acids within APP are assigned numbers according to the sequence of the APP<sup>770</sup> isoform (see *e.g.*, GenBank Accession No. P05067). Examples of specific isotypes of APP which are 25 currently known to exist in humans are the 695 amino acid polypeptide described by Kang *et. al.* (1987) *Nature* 325:733-736 which is designated as the “normal” APP; the 751 amino acid polypeptide described by Ponte *et al.* (1988) *Nature* 331:525-527 (1988) and Tanzi *et al.* (1988) *Nature* 331:528-530; and the 770-amino acid polypeptide described by Kitaguchi *et. al.* (1988) *Nature* 331:530-532. As a result of proteolytic 30 processing of APP by different secretase enzymes *in vivo* or *in situ*, A $\beta$  is found in both a “short form”, 40 amino acids in length, and a “long form”, ranging from 42-43 amino acids in length. The short form, A $\beta$ 40, consists of residues 672-711 of APP. The long

form, *e.g.*, A $\beta$ <sub>42</sub> or A $\beta$ <sub>43</sub>, consists of residues 672-713 or 672-714, respectively. Part of the hydrophobic domain of APP is found at the carboxy end of A $\beta$ , and may account for the ability of A $\beta$  to aggregate, particularly in the case of the long form. A $\beta$  peptide can be found in, or purified from, the body fluids of humans and other mammals, *e.g.*

5 cerebrospinal fluid, including both normal individuals and individuals suffering from amyloidogenic disorders.

The terms “ $\beta$ -amyloid protein”, “ $\beta$ -amyloid peptide”, “ $\beta$ -amyloid”, “A $\beta$ ” and “A $\beta$  peptide” include peptides resulting from secretase cleavage of APP and synthetic peptides having the same or essentially the same sequence as the cleavage products. A $\beta$  peptides of the invention can be derived from a variety of sources, for example, tissues, cell lines, or body fluids (*e.g.* sera or cerebrospinal fluid). For example, an A $\beta$  can be derived from APP-expressing cells such as Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cells stably transfected with APP<sub>717V→F</sub>, as described, for example, in Walsh *et al.*, (2002), *Nature*, 416, pp 535-539. An A $\beta$  preparation can be derived from tissue sources using methods previously described (*see, e.g.*, Johnson-Wood *et al.*, (1997), *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 94:1550). Alternatively, A $\beta$  peptides can be synthesized using methods which are well known to those in the art. See, for example, Fields *et al.*, *Synthetic Peptides: A User’s Guide*, ed. Grant, W.H. Freeman & Co., New York, NY, 1992, p 77). Hence, peptides can be synthesized using the automated Merrifield techniques of solid phase synthesis with the  $\alpha$ -amino group protected by either t-Boc or F-moc chemistry using side chain protected amino acids on, for example, an Applied Biosystems Peptide Synthesizer Model 430A or 431. Longer peptide antigens can be synthesized using well known recombinant DNA techniques. For example, a polynucleotide encoding the peptide or fusion peptide can be synthesized or molecularly cloned and inserted in a suitable expression vector for the transfection and heterologous expression by a suitable host cell. A $\beta$  peptide also refers to related A $\beta$  sequences that results from mutations in the A $\beta$  region of the normal gene.

The term “soluble A $\beta$ ” or “dissociated A $\beta$ ” refers to non-aggregating or disaggregated A $\beta$  polypeptide, including monomeric soluble as well as oligomeric soluble A $\beta$  polypeptide (*e.g.*, soluble A $\beta$  dimers, trimers, and the like). Soluble A $\beta$  can be found *in vivo* in biological fluids such as cerebrospinal fluid and/or serum. Soluble A $\beta$  can also be prepared *in vitro*, *e.g.*, by solubilizing A $\beta$  peptide in appropriate solvents

and/or solutions. For example, soluble A $\beta$  can be prepared by dissolving lyophilized peptide in alcohol, *e.g.*, HFIP followed by dilution into cold aqueous solution.

Alternatively, soluble A $\beta$  can be prepared by dissolving lyophilized peptide in neat DMSO with sonication. The resulting solution can be centrifuged (*e.g.*, at 14,000x g,

5 4°C, 10 minutes) to remove any insoluble particulates.

The term "insoluble A $\beta$ " or "aggregated A $\beta$ " refers to aggregated A $\beta$  polypeptide, for example, A $\beta$  held together by noncovalent bonds and which can occur in the fibrillary, toxic,  $\beta$ -sheet form of A $\beta$  peptide that is found in neuritic plaques and cerebral blood vessels of patients with AD. A $\beta$  (*e.g.*, A $\beta$ 42) is believed to aggregate, at 10 least in part, due to the presence of hydrophobic residues at the C-terminus of the peptide (part of the transmembrane domain of APP).

As used herein, the phrase "neuroactive A $\beta$  species" refers to an A $\beta$  species (*e.g.*, an A $\beta$  peptide or form of A $\beta$  peptide) that effects at least one activity or physical characteristic of a neuronal cell. Neuroactive A $\beta$  species effect, for example, 15 the function, biological activity, viability, morphology and/or architecture of a neuronal cell. The effect on neuronal cells can be cellular, for example, effecting the long-term-potentiation (LPT) of a neuronal cell or viability of a neuronal cell (neurotoxicity).

Alternatively, the effect can be on an *in vivo* neuronal system, for example, effecting a behavioral outcome in an appropriate animal test (*e.g.*, a cognitive test). The term 20 "neutralize" as used herein means to make neutral, counteract or make ineffective an activity or effect.

As used herein, the term "neurodegenerative disease" refers broadly to disorders or diseases associated with or characterized by degeneration of neurons and/or nervous tissues, *e.g.* an amyloidogenic disease.

25 The term "amyloidogenic disease" or "amyloidogenic disorder" includes any disease associated with (or caused by) the formation or deposition of insoluble amyloid fibrils. Exemplary amyloidogenic diseases include, but are not limited to systemic amyloidosis, Alzheimer's disease (AD), cerebral amyloid angiopathy (CAA), mature onset diabetes, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease, fronto-temporal dementia, and the prion-related transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (kuru and Creutzfeldt-Jacob disease in humans and scrapie and BSE in sheep and cattle, respectively). Different amyloidogenic diseases are defined or characterized by the nature of the polypeptide component of the fibrils deposited. For example, in subjects or 30

patients having Alzheimer's disease,  $\beta$ -amyloid protein (*e.g.*, wild-type, variant, or truncated  $\beta$ -amyloid protein) is the principal polypeptide component of the amyloid deposit. Accordingly, Alzheimer's disease is an example of a "disease characterized by deposits of A $\beta$ " or a "disease associated with deposits of A $\beta$ ", *e.g.*, in the brain of a  
5 subject or patient. Other diseases characterized by deposits of A $\beta$  can include uncharacterized diseases where amyloidogenic deposits are found in one or more regions of the brain associated with learning and/or memory, *e.g.*, the hippocampus, amygdala, subiculum, cingulated cortex, prefrontal cortex, perirhinal cortex, sensory cortex, and medial temporal lobe.

10           The term "cognition" refers to cognitive mental processes performed by a subject including, but not limited to, learning or memory (*e.g.*, short-term or long term learning or memory), knowledge, awareness, attention and concentration, judgment, visual recognition, abstract thinking, executive functions, language, visual-spatial (*i.e.*, visuo-spatial orientation) skills, visual recognition, balance/agility and sensorimotor activity. Exemplary cognitive processes include learning and memory.  
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20           The terms "cognitive disorder", "cognitive deficit", or "cognitive impairment" are used interchangeably herein and refer to a deficiency or impairment in one or more cognitive mental processes of a subject. Cognitive deficits may have a number of origins: a functional mechanism (anxiety, depression), physiological aging (age-associated memory impairment), brain injury, psychiatric disorders (*e.g.* schizophrenia), drugs, infections, toxicants, or anatomical lesions. Exemplary cognitive deficits include deficiency or impairment in learning or memory (*e.g.*, in short-term or long term learning and/or memory loss of intellectual abilities, judgment, language, motor skills, and/or abstract thinking).

25           As used herein, the term "A $\beta$ -related cognitive disorder" (or "deficit" or "impairment") refers to a cognitive disorder associated with, or characterized by, the development or presence of an A $\beta$  peptide. In one embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is associated with or characterized by the presence of soluble A $\beta$ . In another embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is associated with or characterized by  
30 the presence of insoluble A $\beta$ . In another embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is associated with or characterized by the presence of a neuroactive A $\beta$  species (NA $\beta$ ).

              The term "dementia disorder", as used herein, refers to a disorder characterized by dementia (*i.e.*, general deterioration or progressive decline of cognitive

abilities or dementia-like symptoms). Dementia disorders are often associated with, or caused by, one or more aberrant processes in the brain or central nervous system (*e.g.* neurodegeneration). Dementia disorders commonly progress from mild through severe stages and interfere with the ability of a subject to function independently in everyday life. Dementia may be classified as cortical or subcortical depending on the area of the brain affected. Dementia disorders do not include disorders characterized by a loss of consciousness (as in delirium) or depression, or other functional mental disorders (*pseudodementia*). Dementia disorders include the irreversible dementias such Alzheimer's disease, vascular dementia, Lewy body dementia, Jakob-Creutzfeldt disease, Pick's disease, progressive supranuclear palsy, Frontal lobe dementia, idiopathic basal ganglia calcification, Huntington disease, multiple sclerosis, and Parkinson's disease, as well as reversible dementias due to trauma (posttraumatic encephalopathy), intracranial tumors (primary or metastatic), subdural hematomas, metabolic and endocrinologic conditions (hypo- and hyperthyroidism, Wilson's disease, uremic encephalopathy, dialysis dementia, anoxic and post-anoxic dementia, and chronic electrolyte disturbances), deficiency states (Vitamin B12 deficiency and pellagra (vitamin B6)), infections (AIDS, syphilitic meningoencephalitis, limbic encephalitis, progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy, fungal infections, tuberculosis), and chronic exposure to alcohol, aluminum, heavy metals (arsenic, lead, mercury, manganese), or prescription drugs (anticholinergics, sedatives, barbiturates, etc.).

As used herein, the term "A $\beta$ -related dementia disorder" refers to a dementia disorder associated with, or characterized by, the development or presence of an A $\beta$  peptide.

As used herein, the phrase "improvement in cognition" refers to an enhancement or increase in a cognitive skill or function. Likewise, the phrase "improving cognition" refers to the enhancing or increasing of a cognitive skill or function. An improvement in cognition is relative, for example, to cognition in the subject before a treatment according to the instant invention. Preferably, the improvement in cognition trends towards that of a normal subject or towards a standard or expected level.

The term "rapid", as used, for example, in the phrase "rapid improvement in cognition" (or "rapidly improving cognition") means taking a relatively or

comparatively short time or occurring within a comparatively short time interval; *i.e.*, that an effect (*e.g.*, improvement) is accomplished, observed or achieved comparatively quickly, in terms of clinical relevance.

An exemplary “rapid improvement in cognition” is accomplished, 5 observed or achieved within one day (*i.e.*, within 24 hours). A “rapid improvement in cognition” may be accomplished, observed or achieved in less than one day (*i.e.*, less than 24 hours), for example, within 23, 22, 21, 20, 29, 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2 or 1 hour(s). A “rapid improvement in cognition” may alternatively be accomplished, observed or achieved in more than one day but preferably within one 10 month, for example, within 31, 30, 29, 28, 27, 26, 25, 24, 23, 22, 21, 20, 19, 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 or 2 days. Exemplary time intervals for 15 accomplishing, observing or achieving a rapid improvement in cognition are within weeks, *e.g.*, within three weeks, within two weeks or within one week or within, for example, 120 hours, 96 hours, 72 hours, 48 hours, 24 hours, 18 hours, 12 hours and/or 6 hours.

The term “prolonged”, as used, for example, in the phrase “prolonged improvement in cognition” means occurring over a comparatively or relatively longer time interval than a suitable control; *i.e.*, that a desired effect (*e.g.*, improvement) occurs or is observed to be sustained without interruption for an extended or protracted time 20 period, in terms of clinical relevance.

An exemplary “prolonged improvement in cognition” is accomplished, observed or achieved for at least one week. A “prolonged improvement in cognition” may be accomplished, observed or achieved for more than one day (*i.e.*, more than 24 hours), for example, for more than 36 hours, 48 hours (*i.e.*, 2 days), 72 hours (*i.e.*, 3 days), 96 hours (*i.e.*, 4 days) 108 hours (*i.e.*, 5 days) or 132 hours (*i.e.*, 6 days). A “prolonged improvement in cognition” may alternatively be accomplished, observed or achieved for more than one week, *e.g.*, for 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, or 14 days (*i.e.*, two weeks), three weeks, four weeks, five weeks, six weeks, or more. Exemplary time intervals over which a prolonged improvement in cognition is accomplished, observed 25 or achieved include 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 or 20 days.

The term “modulation” as used herein refers to both upregulation, *i.e.* stimulation, and downregulation, *i.e.* suppression, of a response.

The term "treatment" as used herein, is defined as the application or administration of a therapeutic reagent to a patient, or application or administration of a therapeutic reagent to an isolated tissue or cell line from a patient, who has a disease, a symptom of disease or a predisposition toward a disease, with the purpose to cure, heal, 5 alleviate, relieve, alter, remedy, ameliorate, improve or affect the disease, the symptoms of disease or the predisposition toward disease.

The term "effective dose" or "effective dosage" is defined as an amount sufficient to achieve or at least partially achieve the desired effect. The term "therapeutically effective dose" is defined as an amount sufficient to cure or at least 10 partially arrest the disease and its complications in a patient already suffering from the disease. Amounts effective for this use will depend upon the severity of the disease, the patient's general physiology. *e.g.*, the patient's body mass, age, gender, the route of administration, and other factors well known to physicians and/or pharmacologists. Effective doses may be expressed, for example, as the total mass of antibody (*e.g.*, in 15 grams, milligrams or micrograms) or as a ratio of mass of antibody to body mass (*e.g.*, as grams per kilogram (g/kg), milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg), or micrograms per kilogram ( $\mu$ g/kg). An effective dose of antibody used in the present methods will range, for example, between 1 $\mu$ g/kg and 500 mg/kg. An exemplary range for effective doses of antibodies used in the methods of the present invention is between 0.1 mg/kg and 100 20 mg/kg. Exemplary effective doses include, but are not limited to, 10  $\mu$ g/kg, 30  $\mu$ g/kg, 100  $\mu$ g/kg, 300  $\mu$ g/kg, 1 mg/kg, 30 mg/kg and 100 mg/kg.

As used herein, the term "administering" refers to the act of introducing a pharmaceutical agent into a subject's body. An exemplary route of administration in the parenteral route, *e.g.*, subcutaneous, intravenous or intraperitoneal administration.

25 The terms "patient" includes human and other mammalian subjects that receive either prophylactic or therapeutic treatment with one or more agents (*e.g.*, immunotherapeutic agents) of the invention. Exemplary patients receive either prophylactic or therapeutic treatment with the immunotherapeutic agents of the invention.

30 The term "animal model" or "model animal", as used herein, includes a member of a mammalian species such as rodents, non-human primates, sheep, dogs, and cows that exhibit features or characteristics of a certain system of disease or disorder, *e.g.*, a human system, disease or disorder. Exemplary non-human animals selected from

the rodent family include rabbits, guinea pigs, rats and mice, most preferably mice. An “animal model” of, or “model animal” having, a dementia disorder exhibits, for example, prominent cognitive deficits associated with a dementia-related disorder (*e.g.*, AD). Preferably the model animal exhibits a progressive worsening of the cognitive deficit with increasing age, such that the disease progression in the model animal parallels the disease progression in a subject suffering from the dementia disorder.

The term “immunological reagent” refers to an agent that comprises or consists of one or more immunoglobulins, antibodies, antibody fragments or antibody chains, as defined herein, or combinations thereof. The term “immunological reagent” also includes nucleic acids encoding immunoglobulins, antibodies, antibody fragments, or antibody chains. Such nucleic acids can be DNA or RNA. A nucleic acid encoding an immunoglobulin is typically linked to regulatory elements, such as a promoter and enhancer, that allow expression of the nucleic acid in an appropriate cell or tissue.

When referencing (*e.g.*, preceded by) the name of a particular monoclonal A $\beta$  antibody, the term “immunological reagent” refers to an immunological reagent having one or more characteristics of the referenced monoclonal antibody. Characteristics of the A $\beta$  monoclonal antibodies can include, for example, specific binding to A $\beta$  peptide, preferential binding for soluble oligomeric A $\beta$ , the ability to reduce plaque burden associated with amyloidogenic disorders in a subject and improve cognition in an animal model of AD. In certain aspects, immunological reagents have conserved structural features with the referenced monoclonal antibody, for example, conserved antigen binding domains or regions (*e.g.*, one or more CDRs of the referenced monoclonal antibody). Exemplary immunological reagents include monoclonal antibodies, humanized versions of said antibodies, chimeric versions of said antibodies, single-chains of said antibodies, bispecific versions of said antibodies, fragments, variants of said antibodies (*e.g.* affinity matured antibody variants and Fc antibody variants), or combinations thereof. When referencing (*e.g.*, preceded by) the name of a particular monoclonal A $\beta$  antibody, the term “immunological reagent” also includes any antibody (*e.g.* humanized antibody, chimeric antibody, single-chain antibody, bispecific antibody), antibody fragment, or antibody chain comprising at least one domain, region, or fragment derived from the referenced antibody, a fragment of said antibody, or chain of said antibody.

The term “immunotherapeutic reagent” refers to an immunological reagent suitable for therapeutic use.

The term “immunoglobulin” or “antibody” (used interchangeably herein) refers to a protein having a basic four-polypeptide chain structure consisting of two heavy and two light chains, said chains being stabilized, for example, by interchain disulfide bonds, which has the ability to specifically bind antigen. It is intended that the term “antibody” encompass any Ig class or any Ig subclass (e.g. the IgG1, IgG2, IgG3, and IgG4 subclasses of IgG) obtained from any source (e.g., in exemplary embodiments, humans and non-human primates, and in additional embodiments, rodents, lagomorphs, caprines, bovines, equines, ovines, etc.).

The term “Ig class” or “immunoglobulin class”, as used herein, refers to the five classes of immunoglobulin that have been identified in humans and higher mammals, IgG, IgM, IgA, IgD and IgE. The term “Ig subclass” refers to the two subclasses of IgM (H and L), three subclasses of IgA (IgA1, IgA2, and secretory IgA), and four subclasses of IgG (IgG<sub>1</sub>, IgG<sub>2</sub>, IgG<sub>3</sub>, and IgG<sub>4</sub>) that have been identified in humans and higher mammals.

The term “IgG subclass” refers to the four subclasses of immunoglobulin class IgG – IgG<sub>1</sub>, IgG<sub>2</sub>, IgG<sub>3</sub>, and IgG<sub>4</sub> that have been identified in humans and higher mammals by the  $\gamma$  heavy chains of the immunoglobulins,  $\gamma_1$ - $\gamma_4$ , respectively.

The term “single-chain immunoglobulin” or “single-chain antibody” (used interchangeably herein) refers to a protein having a two-polypeptide chain structure consisting of a heavy and a light chain, said chains being stabilized, for example, by interchain peptide linkers, which has the ability to specifically bind antigen.

The term “domain” refers to a globular region of a heavy or light chain polypeptide comprising peptide loops (e.g., comprising 3 to 4 peptide loops) stabilized, for example, by  $\beta$ -pleated sheet and/or intrachain disulfide bond. Domains are further referred to herein as “constant” or “variable”, based on the relative lack of sequence variation within the domains of various class members in the case of a “constant” domain, or the significant variation within the domains of various class members in the case of a “variable” domain. Antibody or polypeptide “domains” are often referred to interchangeably in the art as antibody or polypeptide “regions”. The “constant” domains of an antibody light chain are referred to interchangeably as “light chain constant regions”, “light chain constant domains”, “CL” regions or “CL” domains. The

“constant” domains of an antibody heavy chain are referred to interchangeably as “heavy chain constant regions”, “heavy chain constant domains”, “CH” regions or “CH” domains). The “variable” domains of an antibody light chain are referred to interchangeably as “light chain variable regions”, “light chain variable domains”, “VL” 5 regions or “VL” domains). The “variable” domains of an antibody heavy chain are referred to interchangeably as “heavy chain constant regions”, “heavy chain constant domains”, “VH” regions or “VH” domains).

The term “region” can also refer to a part or portion of an antibody chain or antibody chain domain (*e.g.*, a part or portion of a heavy or light chain or a part or 10 portion of a constant or variable domain, as defined herein), as well as more discrete parts or portions of said chains or domains. For example, light and heavy chains or light and heavy chain variable domains include “complementarity determining regions” or “CDRs” interspersed among “framework regions” or “FRs”, as defined herein.

As used herein, the term “antigen binding site” refers to a site that 15 specifically binds (immunoreacts with) an antigen (*e.g.*, a cell surface or soluble antigen). Antibodies of the invention preferably comprise at least two antigen binding sites. An antigen binding site commonly includes immunoglobulin heavy chain and light chain CDRs and the binding site formed by these CDRs determines the specificity 20 of the antibody. An “antigen binding region” or “antigen binding domain” is a region or domain (*e.g.*, an antibody region or domain that includes an antibody binding site as defined *supra*.

Immunoglobulins or antibodies can exist in monomeric or polymeric form, for example, IgM antibodies which exist in pentameric form and/or IgA antibodies which exist in monomeric, dimeric or multimeric form. The term “fragment” refers to a 25 part or portion of an antibody or antibody chain comprising fewer amino acid residues than an intact or complete antibody or antibody chain. Fragments can be obtained *via* chemical or enzymatic treatment of an intact or complete antibody or antibody chain. Fragments can also be obtained by recombinant means. Exemplary fragments include Fab, Fab’, F(ab’)2, Fabc and/or Fv fragments. The term “antigen-binding fragment” 30 refers to a polypeptide fragment of an immunoglobulin or antibody that binds antigen or competes with intact antibody (*i.e.*, with the intact antibody from which they were derived) for antigen binding (*i.e.*, specific binding). Binding fragments are produced by recombinant DNA techniques, or by enzymatic or chemical cleavage of intact

immunoglobulins. Binding fragments include Fab, Fab', F(ab')<sub>2</sub>, Fabc, Fv, single chains, and single chain antibodies. Other than "bispecific" or "bifunctional" immunoglobulins or antibodies, an immunoglobulin or antibody is understood to have each of its antigen-binding sites identical. A "bispecific" or "bifunctional antibody" is 5 an artificial hybrid antibody having two different heavy/light chain pairs and two different antigen-binding sites. Bispecific antibodies can be produced by a variety of methods including fusion of hybridomas or linking of Fab' fragments. See, e.g., Songsivilai & Lachmann, *Clin. Exp. Immunol.* 79:315-321 (1990); Kostelny *et al.*, *J. Immunol.* 148, 1547-1553 (1992).

10 As used herein, the term "monoclonal antibody" refers to an antibody derived from a clonal population of antibody-producing cells (e.g., B lymphocytes or B cells) which is homogeneous in structure and antigen specificity. The term "polyclonal antibody" refers to a plurality of antibodies originating from different clonal populations of antibody-producing cells which are heterogeneous in their structure and epitope 15 specificity but which recognize a common antigen. Monoclonal and polyclonal antibodies may exist within bodily fluids, as crude preparations, or may be purified, as described herein.

The term "humanized immunoglobulin" or "humanized antibody" refers to an immunoglobulin or antibody that includes at least one humanized immunoglobulin 20 or antibody chain (i.e., at least one humanized light or heavy chain). The term "humanized immunoglobulin chain" or "humanized antibody chain" (i.e., a "humanized immunoglobulin light chain" or "humanized immunoglobulin heavy chain") refers to an immunoglobulin or antibody chain (i.e., a light or heavy chain, respectively) having a variable region that includes a variable framework region substantially from a human 25 immunoglobulin or antibody and complementarity determining regions (CDRs) (e.g., at least one CDR, preferably two CDRs, more preferably three CDRs) substantially from a non-human immunoglobulin or antibody, and further includes constant regions (e.g., at least one constant region or portion thereof, in the case of a light chain, and preferably three constant regions in the case of a heavy chain). The term "humanized variable 30 region" (e.g., "humanized light chain variable region" or "humanized heavy chain variable region") refers to a variable region that includes a variable framework region substantially from a human immunoglobulin or antibody and complementarity determining regions (CDRs) substantially from a non-human immunoglobulin or

antibody. See, Queen *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:10029-10033 (1989), US 5,530,101, US 5,585,089, US 5,693,761, US 5,693,762, Selick *et al.*, WO 90/07861, and Winter, US 5,225,539 (incorporated by reference in their entirety for all purposes).

5 A “humanized immunoglobulin” or “humanized antibody” of this invention can be made using any of the methods described herein or those that are well known in the art.

The phrase “substantially from a human immunoglobulin or antibody” or “substantially human” means that, when aligned to a human immunoglobulin or antibody amino sequence for comparison purposes, the region shares at least 80-90%, 10 90-95%, or 95-99% identity (*i.e.*, local sequence identity) with the human framework or constant region sequence, allowing, for example, for conservative substitutions, consensus sequence substitutions, germline substitutions, backmutations, and the like. The introduction of conservative substitutions, consensus sequence substitutions, germline substitutions, backmutations, and the like, is often referred to as “optimization” 15 of a humanized antibody or chain. The phrase “substantially from a non-human immunoglobulin or antibody” or “substantially non-human” means having an immunoglobulin or antibody sequence at least 80-95%, preferably at least 90-95%, more preferably, 96%, 97%, 98%, or 99% identical to that of a non-human organism, *e.g.*, a non-human mammal.

20 Accordingly, all regions or residues of a humanized immunoglobulin or antibody, or of a humanized immunoglobulin or antibody chain, except possibly the CDRs, are substantially identical to the corresponding regions or residues of one or more native human immunoglobulin sequences. The term “corresponding region” or “corresponding residue” refers to a region or residue on a second amino acid or 25 nucleotide sequence which occupies the same (*i.e.*, equivalent) position as a region or residue on a first amino acid or nucleotide sequence, when the first and second sequences are optimally aligned for comparison purposes.

The assignment of amino acids to each domain is in accordance with the definitions of Kabat, *Sequences of Proteins of Immunological Interest* (National 30 Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD, 1987 and 1991). An alternative structural definition has been proposed by Chothia *et al.*, *J. Mol. Biol.* 196:901 (1987); *Nature* 342:878 (1989); and *J. Mol. Biol.* 186:651 (1989) (hereinafter collectively referred to as “Chothia *et al.*” and incorporated by reference in their entirety for all purposes).

The term "significant identity" means that two polypeptide sequences, when optimally aligned, such as by the programs GAP or BESTFIT using default gap weights, share at least 50-60% sequence identity, preferably at least 60-70% sequence identity, more preferably at least 70-80% sequence identity, more preferably at least 80-90% identity, even more preferably at least 90-95% identity, and even more preferably at least 95% sequence identity or more (e.g., 99% sequence identity or more). The term "substantial identity" means that two polypeptide sequences, when optimally aligned, such as by the programs GAP or BESTFIT using default gap weights, share at least 80-90% sequence identity, preferably at least 90-95% sequence identity, and more preferably at least 95% sequence identity or more (e.g., 99% sequence identity or more). For sequence comparison, typically one sequence acts as a reference sequence, to which test sequences are compared. When using a sequence comparison algorithm, test and reference sequences are input into a computer, subsequence coordinates are designated, if necessary, and sequence algorithm program parameters are designated. The sequence comparison algorithm then calculates the percent sequence identity for the test sequence(s) relative to the reference sequence, based on the designated program parameters.

Optimal alignment of sequences for comparison can be conducted, e.g., by the local homology algorithm of Smith & Waterman, *Adv. Appl. Math.* 2:482 (1981), by the homology alignment algorithm of Needleman & Wunsch, *J. Mol. Biol.* 48:443 (1970), by the search for similarity method of Pearson & Lipman, *Proc. Nat'l. Acad. Sci. USA* 85:2444 (1988), by computerized implementations of these algorithms (GAP, BESTFIT, FASTA, and TFASTA in the Wisconsin Genetics Software Package, Genetics Computer Group, 575 Science Dr., Madison, WI), or by visual inspection (see generally Ausubel *et al.*, *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*). One example of an algorithm that is suitable for determining percent sequence identity and sequence similarity is the BLAST algorithm, which is described in Altschul *et al.*, *J. Mol. Biol.* 215:403 (1990). Software for performing BLAST analyses is publicly available through the National Center for Biotechnology Information (publicly accessible through the National Institutes of Health NCBI internet server). Typically, default program parameters can be used to perform the sequence comparison, although customized parameters can also be used. For amino acid sequences, the BLASTP program uses as

defaults a wordlength (W) of 3, an expectation (E) of 10, and the BLOSUM62 scoring matrix (*see Henikoff & Henikoff, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 89:10915 (1989)*).

Preferably, residue positions which are not identical differ by conservative amino acid substitutions. For purposes of classifying amino acids 5 substitutions as conservative or nonconservative, amino acids are grouped as follows: Group I (hydrophobic sidechains): leu, met, ala, val, leu, ile; Group II (neutral hydrophilic side chains): cys, ser, thr; Group III (acidic side chains): asp, glu; Group IV (basic side chains): asn, gln, his, lys, arg; Group V (residues influencing chain orientation): gly, pro; and Group VI (aromatic side chains): trp, tyr, phe. Conservative 10 substitutions involve substitutions between amino acids in the same class. Non-conservative substitutions constitute exchanging a member of one of these classes for a member of another.

Preferably, humanized immunoglobulins or antibodies bind antigen with an affinity that is within a factor of three, four, or five of that of the corresponding non-humanized antibody. For example, if the nonhumanized antibody has a binding affinity 15 of  $10^9 \text{ M}^{-1}$ , humanized antibodies will have a binding affinity of at least  $3 \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1}$ ,  $4 \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1}$  or  $5 \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1}$ . When describing the binding properties of an immunoglobulin or antibody chain, the chain can be described based on its ability to “direct antigen (*e.g.*, A $\beta$ ) binding”. A chain is said to “direct antigen binding” when it confers upon an intact 20 immunoglobulin or antibody (or antigen binding fragment thereof) a specific binding property or binding affinity. A mutation (*e.g.*, a backmutation) is said to substantially affect the ability of a heavy or light chain to direct antigen binding if it affects (*e.g.*, decreases) the binding affinity of an intact immunoglobulin or antibody (or antigen binding fragment thereof) comprising said chain by at least an order of magnitude 25 compared to that of the antibody (or antigen binding fragment thereof) comprising an equivalent chain lacking said mutation. A mutation “does not substantially affect (*e.g.*, decrease) the ability of a chain to direct antigen binding” if it affects (*e.g.*, decreases) the binding affinity of an intact immunoglobulin or antibody (or antigen binding fragment thereof) comprising said chain by only a factor of two, three, or four of that of the 30 antibody (or antigen binding fragment thereof) comprising an equivalent chain lacking said mutation.

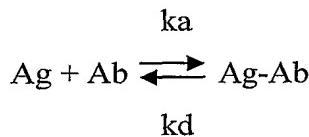
The term “chimeric immunoglobulin” or antibody refers to an immunoglobulin or antibody whose variable regions derive from a first species and

- whose constant regions derive from a second species. Chimeric immunoglobulins or antibodies can be constructed, for example by genetic engineering, from immunoglobulin gene segments belonging to different species. The terms “humanized immunoglobulin” or “humanized antibody” are not intended to encompass chimeric immunoglobulins or antibodies, as defined *infra*. Although humanized immunoglobulins or antibodies are chimeric in their construction (*i.e.*, comprise regions from more than one species of protein), they include additional features (*i.e.*, variable regions comprising donor CDR residues and acceptor framework residues) not found in chimeric immunoglobulins or antibodies, as defined herein.
- The term “conformation” refers to the tertiary structure of a protein or polypeptide (*e.g.*, an antibody, antibody chain, domain or region thereof). For example, the phrase “light (or heavy) chain conformation” refers to the tertiary structure of a light (or heavy) chain variable region, and the phrase “antibody conformation” or “antibody fragment conformation” refers to the tertiary structure of an antibody or fragment thereof.

“Specific binding” of an antibody means that the antibody exhibits appreciable affinity for a particular antigen or epitope and, generally, does not exhibit significant crossreactivity. In exemplary embodiments, the antibody exhibits no crossreactivity (*e.g.*, does not crossreact with non-A $\beta$  peptides or with remote epitopes on A $\beta$ ). “Appreciable” or preferred binding includes binding with an affinity of at least  $10^6$ ,  $10^7$ ,  $10^8$ ,  $10^9$  M $^{-1}$ , or  $10^{10}$  M $^{-1}$ . Affinities greater than  $10^7$  M $^{-1}$ , preferably greater than  $10^8$  M $^{-1}$  are more preferred. Values intermediate of those set forth herein are also intended to be within the scope of the present invention and a preferred binding affinity can be indicated as a range of affinities, for example,  $10^6$  to  $10^{10}$  M $^{-1}$ , preferably  $10^7$  to  $10^{10}$  M $^{-1}$ , more preferably  $10^8$  to  $10^{10}$  M $^{-1}$ . An antibody that “does not exhibit significant crossreactivity” is one that will not appreciably bind to an undesirable entity (*e.g.*, an undesirable proteinaceous entity). For example, an antibody that specifically binds to A $\beta$  will appreciably bind A $\beta$  but will not significantly react with non-A $\beta$  proteins or peptides (*e.g.*, non-A $\beta$  proteins or peptides included in plaques). An antibody specific for a particular epitope will, for example, not significantly crossreact with remote epitopes on the same protein or peptide. Specific binding can be determined according to any art-recognized means for determining such binding. Preferably, specific binding is determined according to Scatchard analysis and/or competitive binding assays.

As used herein, the term “affinity” refers to the strength of the binding of a single antigen-combining site with an antigenic determinant. Affinity depends on the closeness of stereochemical fit between antibody combining sites and antigen determinants, on the size of the area of contact between them, on the distribution of charged and hydrophobic groups, etc. Antibody affinity can be measured by equilibrium dialysis or by the kinetic BIACORE™ method. The BIACORE™ method relies on the phenomenon of surface plasmon resonance (SPR), which occurs when surface plasmon waves are excited at a metal/liquid interface. Light is directed at, and reflected from, the side of the surface not in contact with sample, and SPR causes a reduction in the reflected light intensity at a specific combination of angle and wavelength. Bimolecular binding events cause changes in the refractive index at the surface layer, which are detected as changes in the SPR signal.

The dissociation constant, KD, and the association constant, KA, are quantitative measures of affinity. At equilibrium, free antigen (Ag) and free antibody (Ab) are in equilibrium with antigen-antibody complex (Ag-Ab), and the rate constants, ka and kd, quantitate the rates of the individual reactions:



At equilibrium,  $\text{ka} [\text{Ab}] [\text{Ag}] = \text{kd} [\text{Ag-Ab}]$ . The dissociation constant, KD, is given by:  $\text{KD} = \text{kd}/\text{ka} = [\text{Ag}] [\text{Ab}] / [\text{Ag-Ab}]$ . KD has units of concentration, most typically M, mM, μM, nM, pM, etc. When comparing antibody affinities expressed as KD, having greater affinity for Aβ is indicated by a lower value. The association constant, KA, is given by:  $\text{KA} = \text{KA}/\text{KD} = [\text{Ag-Ab}] / [\text{Ag}] [\text{Ab}]$ . KA has units of inverse concentration, most typically  $\text{M}^{-1}$ ,  $\text{mM}^{-1}$ ,  $\mu\text{M}^{-1}$ ,  $\text{nM}^{-1}$ ,  $\text{pM}^{-1}$ , etc. As used herein, the term “avidity” refers to the strength of the antigen-antibody bond after formation of reversible complexes.

The term “Fc immunoglobulin variant” or “Fc antibody variant” includes immunoglobulins or antibodies (e.g., humanized immunoglobulins, chimeric immunoglobulins, single chain antibodies, antibody fragments, etc.) having an altered Fc region. Fc regions can be altered, for example, such that the immunoglobulin has an altered effector function. An amino acid alteration includes an amino acid substitution, addition, deletion and/or modification of one or more amino acids of an

immunoglobulin, for example, in the Fc region of the immunoglobulin. In some embodiments, immunoglobulins of the invention include one or more mutations in the Fc region. In some embodiments, the Fc region includes one or more amino acid alterations in the hinge region, for example, at EU numbering positions 234, 235, 236 and/or 237. Antibodies including hinge mutations at one or more of the amino acid positions 234, 235, 236 and/or 237, can be made, as described in, for example, U.S. Patent No. 5,624,821, and U.S. Patent NO, 5,648,260, incorporated by reference herein.

The term “effector function” refers to an activity that resides in the Fc region of an antibody (*e.g.*, an IgG antibody) and includes, for example, the ability of the antibody to bind effector molecules such as complement and/or Fc receptors, which can control several immune functions of the antibody such as effector cell activity, lysis, complement-mediated activity, antibody clearance, and antibody half-life.

The term “effector molecule” refers to a molecule that is capable of binding to the Fc region of an antibody (*e.g.*, an IgG antibody) including, but not limited to, a complement protein or a Fc receptor.

The term “effector cell” refers to a cell capable of binding to the Fc portion of an antibody (*e.g.*, an IgG antibody) typically *via* an Fc receptor expressed on the surface of the effector cell including, but not limited to, lymphocytes, *e.g.*, antigen presenting cells and T cells.

The term “Fc region” refers to a C-terminal region of an IgG antibody, in particular, the C-terminal region of the heavy chain(s) of said IgG antibody. Although the boundaries of the Fc region of an IgG heavy chain can vary slightly, a Fc region is typically defined as spanning from about amino acid residue Cys226 to the carboxyl-terminus of a human IgG heavy chain(s).

The term “aglycosylated” antibody refers to an antibody lacking one or more carbohydrates by virtue of a chemical or enzymatic process, mutation of one or more glycosylation sites, expression in bacteria, *etc.* An aglycosylated antibody may be a deglycosylated antibody, that is an antibody for which the Fc carbohydrate has been removed, for example, chemically or enzymatically. Alternatively, the aglycosylated antibody may be a nonglycosylated or unglycosylated antibody, that is an antibody that was expressed without Fc carbohydrate, for example by mutation of one or more residues that encode the glycosylation pattern or by expression in an organism that does not attach carbohydrates to proteins, for example bacteria.

“Kabat numbering” unless otherwise stated, is as taught in Kabat *et al.* (*Sequences of Proteins of Immunological Interest*, 5th Ed. Public Health Service, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md. (1991)), expressly incorporated herein by reference. “EU numbering” unless otherwise stated, is also taught in Kabat *et al.*

5 (*Sequences of Proteins of Immunological Interest*, 5th Ed. Public Health Service, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md. (1991)) and, for example, refers to the numbering of the residues in heavy chain antibody sequences using the EU index as described therein. This numbering system is based on the sequence of the Eu antibody described in Edelman *et al.*, 63(1):78-85 (1969).

10 The term “Fc receptor” or “FcR” refers to a receptor that binds to the Fc region of an antibody. Typical Fc receptors which bind to an Fc region of an antibody (e.g., an IgG antibody) include, but are not limited to, receptors of the Fc $\gamma$ RI, Fc $\gamma$ RII, and Fc $\gamma$ RIII subclasses, including allelic variants and alternatively spliced forms of these receptors. Other Fc receptors include the neonatal Fc receptors (FcRn) which regulate antibody half-life. Fc receptors are reviewed in Ravetch and Kinet, *Annu. Rev. Immunol.* 9:457-92 (1991); Capel *et al.*, *Immunomethods* 4:25-34 (1994); and de Haas *et al.*, *J. Lab. Clin. Med.* 126:330-41 (1995).

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An “antigen” is an entity (e.g., a proteinaceous entity or peptide) to which an immunoglobulin or antibody (or antigen-binding fragment thereof) specifically binds.

20 The term “epitope” or “antigenic determinant” refers to a site on an antigen to which an immunoglobulin or antibody (or antigen binding fragment thereof) specifically binds. Epitopes can be formed both from contiguous amino acids or noncontiguous amino acids juxtaposed by tertiary folding of a protein. Epitopes formed from contiguous amino acids are typically retained on exposure to denaturing solvents, whereas epitopes formed by tertiary folding are typically lost on treatment with denaturing solvents. An epitope typically includes at least 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 25 13, 14 or 15 amino acids in a unique spatial conformation. Methods of determining spatial conformation of epitopes include, for example, x-ray crystallography and 2-dimensional nuclear magnetic resonance. See, e.g., *Epitope Mapping Protocols in Methods in Molecular Biology*, Vol. 66, G. E. Morris, Ed. (1996).

30 Antibodies that recognize the same epitope can be identified in a simple immunoassay showing the ability of one antibody to block the binding of another antibody to a target antigen, *i.e.*, a competitive binding assay. Competitive binding is

determined in an assay in which the immunoglobulin under test inhibits specific binding of a reference antibody to a common antigen, such as A $\beta$ . Numerous types of competitive binding assays are known, for example: solid phase direct or indirect radioimmunoassay (RIA), solid phase direct or indirect enzyme immunoassay (EIA),  
5 sandwich competition assay (see Stahli *et al.*, *Methods in Enzymology* 9:242 (1983)); solid phase direct biotin-avidin EIA (see Kirkland *et al.*, *J. Immunol.* 137:3614 (1986)); solid phase direct labeled assay, solid phase direct labeled sandwich assay (see Harlow and Lane, *Antibodies: A Laboratory Manual*, Cold Spring Harbor Press (1988)); solid phase direct label RIA using I-125 label (see Morel *et al.*, *Mol. Immunol.* 25(1):7  
10 (1988)); solid phase direct biotin-avidin EIA (Cheung *et al.*, *Virology* 176:546 (1990)); and direct labeled RIA. (Moldenhauer *et al.*, *Scand. J. Immunol.* 32:77 (1990)).

Typically, such an assay involves the use of purified antigen bound to a solid surface or cells bearing either of these, an unlabeled test immunoglobulin and a labeled reference immunoglobulin. Competitive inhibition is measured by determining the amount of  
15 label bound to the solid surface or cells in the presence of the test immunoglobulin. Usually the test immunoglobulin is present in excess. Usually, when a competing antibody is present in excess, it will inhibit specific binding of a reference antibody to a common antigen by at least 50-55%, 55-60%, 60-65%, 65-70% 70-75% or more.

An epitope is also recognized by immunologic cells, for example, B cells  
20 and/or T cells. Cellular recognition of an epitope can be determined by *in vitro* assays that measure antigen-dependent proliferation, as determined by  $^3\text{H}$ -thymidine incorporation, by cytokine secretion, by antibody secretion, or by antigen-dependent killing (cytotoxic T lymphocyte assay).

Exemplary epitopes or antigenic determinants to which an antibody of the  
25 invention binds can be found within the human amyloid precursor protein (APP), but are preferably found within the A $\beta$  peptide of APP. Exemplary epitopes or antigenic determinants within A $\beta$ , as described herein, are located within the N-terminus, central region, or C-terminus of A $\beta$ .

An “N-terminal epitope”, is an epitope or antigenic determinant  
30 comprising residues located within the N-terminus of A $\beta$  peptide. Exemplary N-terminal epitopes include residues within amino acids 1-10 or 1-12 of A $\beta$ , preferably from residues 1-3, 1-4, 1-5, 1-6, 1-7, 2-6, 3-6, or 3-7 of A $\beta$ 42. Other exemplary N-terminal epitopes start at residues 1-3 and end at residues 7-11 of A $\beta$ . Additional

exemplary N-terminal epitopes include residues 2-4, 5, 6, 7 or 8 of A $\beta$ , residues 3-5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 of A $\beta$ , or residues 4-7, 8, 9 or 10 of A $\beta$ 42.

“Central epitopes” are epitopes or antigenic determinants comprising residues located within the central or mid-portion of the A $\beta$  peptide. Exemplary central 5 epitopes include residues within amino acids 13-28, preferably 16-21, 16-22, 16-23, 16-24, 18-21, 19-21, 19-22, 19-23, or 19-24 of A $\beta$ .

“C-terminal epitopes” are epitopes or antigenic determinants comprising residues located within the C-terminus of the A $\beta$  peptide (*e.g.*, within about amino acids 30-40 or 30-42 of A $\beta$ ). Additional exemplary epitopes or antigenic determinants 10 include residues 33-40 or 33-42 of A $\beta$ . Such epitopes can be referred to as “C-terminal epitopes”.

When an antibody is said to bind to an epitope within specified residues, such as A $\beta$  3-7, what is meant is that the antibody specifically binds to a polypeptide containing the specified residues (*i.e.*, A $\beta$  3-7 in this example). Such an antibody 15 does not necessarily contact every residue within A $\beta$  3-7. Nor does every single amino acid substitution or deletion within A $\beta$  3-7 necessarily significantly affect binding affinity.

The terms “A $\beta$  antibody” and “anti-A $\beta$ ” are used interchangeably herein to refer to an antibody that binds to one or more epitopes or antigenic determinants 20 within A $\beta$  protein. Exemplary A $\beta$  antibodies include N-terminal A $\beta$  antibodies, central A $\beta$  antibodies, and C-terminal A $\beta$  antibodies. As used herein, the term “N-terminal A $\beta$  antibody” shall refer to an A $\beta$  antibody that recognizes at least one N-terminal epitope or antigenic determinant. As used herein, the term “central A $\beta$  antibody” shall refer to an A $\beta$  antibody that recognizes at least one central epitope or antigenic determinant. As 25 used herein, the term “C-terminal A $\beta$  antibody” shall refer to an A $\beta$  antibody that recognizes at least one C-terminal epitope or antigenic determinant.

The term “immunological” or “immune” response is the development of a humoral (antibody mediated) and/or a cellular (mediated by antigen-specific T cells or their secretion products) response directed against an antigen in a subject. Such a 30 response can be an active response induced by administration of immunogen or a passive response induced by administration of antibody or primed T-cells. A cellular immune response is elicited by the presentation of polypeptide epitopes in association

with Class I or Class II MHC molecules to activate antigen-specific CD4<sup>+</sup> T helper cells and/or CD8<sup>+</sup> cytotoxic T cells. The response may also involve activation of monocytes, macrophages, natural killer (“NK”) cells, basophils, dendritic cells, astrocytes, microglia cells, eosinophils or other components of innate immunity. The presence of a cell-mediated immunological response can be determined by proliferation assays (CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells) or CTL (cytotoxic T lymphocyte) assays (see Burke, REF; Tigges, REF). The relative contributions of humoral and cellular responses to the protective or therapeutic effect of an immunogen can be distinguished by separately isolating antibodies and T-cells from an immunized animal or individual and measuring protective or therapeutic effect in a second subject.

As used herein, the term “immunotherapy” refers to a treatment, for example, a therapeutic or prophylactic treatment, of a disease or disorder intended to and/or producing an immune response (*e.g.*, an active or passive immune response).

An “immunogenic agent” or “immunogen” is capable of inducing an immunological response against itself on administration to a patient, optionally in conjunction with an adjuvant. An “immunogenic composition” is one that comprises an immunogenic agent.

The term “adjuvant” refers to a compound that when administered in conjunction with an antigen augments the immune response to the antigen, but when administered alone does not generate an immune response to the antigen. Adjuvants can augment an immune response by several mechanisms including lymphocyte recruitment, stimulation of B and/or T cells, and stimulation of macrophages.

As used herein, the term “kit” is used in reference to a combination of reagents and other materials which facilitate sample analysis. In some embodiments, the immunoassay kit of the present invention includes a suitable antigen, binding agent comprising a detectable moiety, and detection reagents. A system for amplifying the signal produced by detectable moieties may or may not also be included in the kit. Furthermore, in other embodiments, the kit includes, but is not limited to, components such as apparatus for sample collection, sample tubes, holders, trays, racks, dishes, plates, instructions to the kit user, solutions or other chemical reagents, and samples to be used for standardization, normalization, and/or control samples.

Various methodologies of the instant invention include a step that involves comparing a value, level, feature, characteristic, property, etc. to a “suitable

control”, referred to interchangeably herein as an “appropriate control”. A “suitable control” or “appropriate control” is any control or standard familiar to one of ordinary skill in the art useful for comparison purposes. In one embodiment, a “suitable control” or “appropriate control” is a value, level, feature, characteristic, property, etc.

- 5 determined prior to performing a methodology of the invention, as described herein. In another embodiment, a “suitable control” or “appropriate control” is a value, level, feature, characteristic, property, etc. determined in a subject, *e.g.*, a control or normal subject exhibiting, for example, normal traits. In yet another embodiment, a “suitable control” or “appropriate control” is a predefined value, level, feature, characteristic, property, etc.
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## **II. Immunological and Therapeutic Reagents**

Immunological and therapeutic reagents of the invention comprise or consist of immunogens or antibodies, or functional or antigen binding fragments thereof, as defined herein. The basic antibody structural unit is known to comprise a tetramer of subunits. Each tetramer is composed of two identical pairs of polypeptide chains, each pair having one “light” (about 25 kDa) and one “heavy” chain (about 50-70 kDa). The amino-terminal portion of each chain includes a variable region of about 100 to 110 or more amino acids primarily responsible for antigen recognition. The carboxy-terminal portion of each chain defines a constant region primarily responsible for effector function.

Light chains are classified as either kappa or lambda and are about 230 residues in length. Heavy chains are classified as gamma ( $\gamma$ ), mu ( $\mu$ ), alpha ( $\alpha$ ), delta ( $\delta$ ), or epsilon ( $\epsilon$ ), are about 450-600 residues in length, and define the antibody’s isotype as IgG, IgM, IgA, IgD and IgE, respectively. Both heavy and light chains are folded into domains. The term “domain” refers to a globular region of a protein, for example, an immunoglobulin or antibody. Immunoglobulin or antibody domains include, for example, three or four peptide loops stabilized by  $\beta$ -pleated sheet and an interchain disulfide bond. Intact light chains have, for example, two domains ( $V_L$  and  $C_L$ ) and intact heavy chains have, for example, four or five domains ( $V_H$ ,  $C_{H1}$ ,  $C_{H2}$ , and  $C_{H3}$ ).

Within light and heavy chains, the variable and constant regions are joined by a “J” region of about 12 or more amino acids, with the heavy chain also

including a “D” region of about 10 more amino acids. (*See generally, Fundamental Immunology* (Paul, W., ed., 2nd ed. Raven Press, N.Y. (1989), Ch. 7, incorporated by reference in its entirety for all purposes).

The variable regions of each light/heavy chain pair form the antibody binding site. Thus, an intact antibody has two binding sites. Except in bifunctional or bispecific antibodies, the two binding sites are the same. The chains all exhibit the same general structure of relatively conserved framework regions (FR) joined by three hypervariable regions, also called complementarity determining regions or CDRs. Naturally-occurring chains or recombinantly produced chains can be expressed with a leader sequence which is removed during cellular processing to produce a mature chain. Mature chains can also be recombinantly produced having a non-naturally occurring leader sequence, for example, to enhance secretion or alter the processing of a particular chain of interest.

The CDRs of the two mature chains of each pair are aligned by the framework regions, enabling binding to a specific epitope. From N-terminal to C-terminal, both light and heavy chains comprise the domains FR1, CDR1, FR2, CDR2, FR3, CDR3 and FR4. “FR4” also is referred to in the art as the D/J region of the variable heavy chain and the J region of the variable light chain. The assignment of amino acids to each domain is in accordance with the definitions of Kabat.

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#### A. A<sub>β</sub> Antibodies

Therapeutic agents of the invention include antibodies that specifically bind to A<sub>β</sub>. Preferred antibodies are monoclonal antibodies. In some embodiments, antibodies of the invention for use in passive immunotherapy bind soluble A<sub>β</sub> peptide including monomeric soluble and/or oligomeric soluble A<sub>β</sub> polypeptide (e.g., soluble A<sub>β</sub> dimers, trimers, and the like). In other embodiments, the antibody is capable of capturing soluble A<sub>β</sub>, including monomeric soluble as well as oligomeric soluble A<sub>β</sub> polypeptide (e.g., soluble A<sub>β</sub> dimers, trimers, and the like), and preventing accumulation of A<sub>β</sub> and/or promoting removal of A<sub>β</sub> from the CNS. In a particularly preferred embodiment, the antibodies of the invention are capable of binding to both soluble and insoluble A<sub>β</sub> peptides or fragments thereof, and are capable of preventing the formation of additional amyloid plaque while also decreasing the size and density of existing amyloid plaques. In other exemplary embodiments, antibodies demonstrating efficacy

in an appropriate animal model for A $\beta$ -related cognitive deficit are selected as reagents for use in the therapeutic methods of the invention.

In addition to the above activities, some antibodies selected for use in the methodologies of the invention bind to aggregated A $\beta$ . Some bind to soluble A $\beta$ . Some 5 bind to both aggregated and soluble forms. Some antibodies bind A $\beta$  in plaques. Some antibodies can cross the blood-brain barrier. Some antibodies can reduce amyloid burden in a subject. Some antibodies can reduce neuritic dystrophy in a subject. Some antibodies can maintain synaptic architecture (*e.g.*, synaptophysin). Some antibodies can neutralize one or more neuroactive forms of A $\beta$ .

10 In certain embodiments of the invention, the antibody is capable of binding aggregated or insoluble A $\beta$  deposited in plaques to decrease the size or density of amyloid plaques. Where plaque-clearing is desired, antibodies can be selected which have an intact constant region or at least sufficient of the constant region to interact with an Fc receptor. Exemplary antibodies are those efficacious at stimulating Fc-mediated 15 phagocytosis of A $\beta$  in plaques. Human isotype IgG1 can be used in humanized antibodies of the invention because of it having highest affinity of human isotypes for the FcRI receptor on phagocytic cells (*e.g.*, on brain resident macrophages or microglial cells). Human IgG1 is the equivalent of murine IgG2a, the latter thus suitable for testing *in vivo* efficacy in animal (*e.g.*, mouse) models of Alzheimer's. Bispecific Fab 20 fragments can also be used, in which one arm of the antibody has specificity for A $\beta$ , and the other for an Fc receptor. Preferred antibodies bind to A $\beta$  with a binding affinity greater than (or equal to) about 10<sup>6</sup>, 10<sup>7</sup>, 10<sup>8</sup>, 10<sup>9</sup>, or 10<sup>10</sup> M<sup>-1</sup> (including affinities intermediate of these values).

Antibodies of the present invention also include those antibodies which 25 are capable of binding and/or clearing soluble A $\beta$  in the CNS or brain of a subject. Exemplary antibodies also include those antibodies which are capable of capturing soluble A $\beta$ , *e.g.*, in the bloodstream of a subject. Preferred antibodies are capable of rapidly improving cognition in a subject, *e.g.*, via clearance and/or capture of soluble A $\beta$ .

30 Monoclonal antibodies bind to a specific epitope within A $\beta$  that can be a conformational or nonconformational epitope. Prophylactic and therapeutic efficacy of antibodies can be tested using the transgenic animal model procedures described in the Examples. Exemplary monoclonal antibodies bind to an epitope within residues 1-10 of

A $\beta$  (with the first N terminal residue of natural A $\beta$  designated 1), for example, to an epitope within residues 3-7 of A $\beta$ . Other exemplary monoclonal antibodies bind to an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$ , for example, to an epitope within residues 16-24 of A $\beta$ . In some methods, multiple monoclonal antibodies having binding specificities to different epitopes are used, for example, an antibody specific for an epitope within residues 3-7 of A $\beta$  can be co-administered with an antibody specific for an epitope outside of residues 3-7 of A $\beta$  (e.g., an antibody specific for an epitope within residues 16-24 of A $\beta$ ). Such antibodies can be administered sequentially or simultaneously. Antibodies to amyloid components other than A $\beta$  can also be used (e.g., administered or co-administered).

Epitope specificity of an antibody can be determined, for example, by forming a phage display library in which different members display different subsequences of A $\beta$ . The phage display library is then selected for members specifically binding to an antibody under test. A family of sequences is isolated. Typically, such a family contains a common core sequence, and varying lengths of flanking sequences in different members. The shortest core sequence showing specific binding to the antibody defines the epitope bound by the antibody. Antibodies can also be tested for epitope specificity in a competition assay with an antibody whose epitope specificity has already been determined.

Antibodies that specifically bind to a preferred segment of A $\beta$  without binding to other regions of A $\beta$  have a number of advantages relative to monoclonal antibodies binding to other regions or polyclonal sera to intact A $\beta$ . First, for equal mass dosages, dosages of antibodies that specifically bind to preferred segments contain a higher molar dosage of antibodies effective in clearing amyloid plaques. Second, antibodies specifically binding to preferred segments can induce a clearing response against amyloid deposits without inducing a clearing response against intact APP polypeptide, thereby reducing the potential side effects.

#### 1. Production of Nonhuman Antibodies

The present invention features non-human antibodies, for example, antibodies having specificity for the preferred A $\beta$  epitopes of the invention. Such antibodies can be used in formulating various therapeutic compositions of the invention

or, preferably, provide complementarity determining regions for the production of humanized or chimeric antibodies (described in detail below). The production of non-human monoclonal antibodies, *e.g.*, murine, guinea pig, primate, rabbit or rat, can be accomplished by, for example, immunizing the animal with A $\beta$ . A longer polypeptide 5 comprising A $\beta$  or an immunogenic fragment of A $\beta$  or anti-idiotypic antibodies to an antibody to A $\beta$  can also be used. See Harlow & Lane, *supra*, incorporated by reference for all purposes). Such an immunogen can be obtained from a natural source, by peptide synthesis or by recombinant expression. Optionally, the immunogen can be administered fused or otherwise complexed with a carrier protein, as described below. 10 Optionally, the immunogen can be administered with an adjuvant. The term "adjuvant" refers to a compound that when administered in conjunction with an antigen augments the immune response to the antigen, but when administered alone does not generate an immune response to the antigen. Adjuvants can augment an immune response by several mechanisms including lymphocyte recruitment, stimulation of B and/or T cells, 15 and stimulation of macrophages. Several types of adjuvant can be used as described below. Complete Freund's adjuvant followed by incomplete adjuvant is preferred for immunization of laboratory animals.

Rabbits or guinea pigs are typically used for making polyclonal antibodies. Exemplary preparation of polyclonal antibodies, *e.g.*, for passive protection, 20 can be performed as follows. 125 non-transgenic mice are immunized with 100  $\mu$ g A $\beta$ 1-42, plus CFA/IFA adjuvant, and euthanized at 4-5 months. Blood is collected from immunized mice. IgG is separated from other blood components. Antibody specific for the immunogen may be partially purified by affinity chromatography. An average of about 0.5-1 mg of immunogen-specific antibody is obtained per mouse, giving a total of 25 60-120 mg.

Mice are typically used for making monoclonal antibodies. Monoclonals can be prepared against a fragment by injecting the fragment or longer form of A $\beta$  into a mouse, preparing hybridomas and screening the hybridomas for an antibody that specifically binds to A $\beta$ . Optionally, antibodies are screened for binding to a specific 30 region or desired fragment of A $\beta$  without binding to other nonoverlapping fragments of A $\beta$ . The latter screening can be accomplished by determining binding of an antibody to a collection of deletion mutants of an A $\beta$  peptide and determining which deletion

mutants bind to the antibody. Binding can be assessed, for example, by Western blot or ELISA. The smallest fragment to show specific binding to the antibody defines the epitope of the antibody. Alternatively, epitope specificity can be determined by a competition assay in which a test and reference antibody compete for binding to A $\beta$ . If 5 the test and reference antibodies compete, then they bind to the same epitope or epitopes sufficiently proximal such that binding of one antibody interferes with binding of the other. The preferred isotype for such antibodies is mouse isotype IgG2a or equivalent isotype in other species. Mouse isotype IgG2a is the equivalent of human isotype IgG1 (e.g., human IgG1).

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#### 2. Chimeric and Humanized Antibodies

The present invention also features chimeric and/or humanized antibodies (*i.e.*, chimeric and/or humanized immunoglobulins) specific for beta amyloid peptide. Chimeric and/or humanized antibodies have the same or similar binding specificity and 15 affinity as a mouse or other nonhuman antibody that provides the starting material for construction of a chimeric or humanized antibody.

##### a. Production of Chimeric Antibodies

The term “chimeric antibody” refers to an antibody whose light and 20 heavy chain genes have been constructed, typically by genetic engineering, from immunoglobulin gene segments belonging to different species. For example, the variable (V) segments of the genes from a mouse monoclonal antibody may be joined to human constant (C) segments, such as IgG1 and IgG4. Human isotypes IgG1 and IgG4 are exemplary. A typical chimeric antibody is thus a hybrid protein consisting of the V 25 or antigen-binding domain from a mouse antibody and the C or effector domain from a human antibody.

##### b. Production of Humanized Antibodies

The term “humanized antibody” refers to an antibody comprising at least 30 one chain comprising variable region framework residues substantially from a human antibody chain (referred to as the acceptor immunoglobulin or antibody) and at least one complementarity determining region substantially from a mouse antibody, (referred to as the donor immunoglobulin or antibody). See, Queen *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*

86:10029-10033 (1989), US 5,530,101, US 5,585,089, US 5,693,761, US 5,693,762, Selick *et al.*, WO 90/07861, and Winter, US 5,225,539 (incorporated by reference in their entirety for all purposes). The constant region(s), if present, are also substantially or entirely from a human immunoglobulin.

- 5           The substitution of mouse CDRs into a human variable domain framework is most likely to result in retention of their correct spatial orientation if the human variable domain framework adopts the same or similar conformation to the mouse variable framework from which the CDRs originated. This is achieved by obtaining the human variable domains from human antibodies whose framework sequences exhibit a high degree of sequence identity with the murine variable framework domains from which the CDRs were derived. The heavy and light chain variable framework regions can be derived from the same or different human antibody sequences. The human antibody sequences can be the sequences of naturally occurring human antibodies or can be consensus sequences of several human antibodies. See  
10          15 Kettleborough *et al.*, *Protein Engineering* 4:773 (1991); Kolbinger *et al.*, *Protein Engineering* 6:971 (1993) and Carter *et al.*, WO 92/22653.

Having identified the complementarity determining regions of the murine donor immunoglobulin and appropriate human acceptor immunoglobulins, the next step is to determine which, if any, residues from these components should be substituted to  
20          optimize the properties of the resulting humanized antibody. In general, substitution of human amino acid residues with murine should be minimized, because introduction of murine residues increases the risk of the antibody eliciting a human-anti-mouse-antibody (HAMA) response in humans. Art-recognized methods of determining immune response can be performed to monitor a HAMA response in a particular patient or  
25          during clinical trials. Patients administered humanized antibodies can be given an immunogenicity assessment at the beginning and throughout the administration of said therapy. The HAMA response is measured, for example, by detecting antibodies to the humanized therapeutic reagent, in serum samples from the patient using a method known to one in the art, including surface plasmon resonance technology (BIACORE)  
30          and/or solid-phase ELISA analysis.

Certain amino acids from the human variable region framework residues are selected for substitution based on their possible influence on CDR conformation and/or binding to antigen. The unnatural juxtaposition of murine CDR regions with

human variable framework region can result in unnatural conformational restraints, which, unless corrected by substitution of certain amino acid residues, lead to loss of binding affinity.

The selection of amino acid residues for substitution is determined, in part, by computer modeling. Computer hardware and software are described herein for producing three-dimensional images of immunoglobulin molecules. In general, molecular models are produced starting from solved structures for immunoglobulin chains or domains thereof. The chains to be modeled are compared for amino acid sequence similarity with chains or domains of solved three-dimensional structures, and the chains or domains showing the greatest sequence similarity is/are selected as starting points for construction of the molecular model. Chains or domains sharing at least 50% sequence identity are selected for modeling, and preferably those sharing at least 60%, 70%, 80%, 90% sequence identity or more are selected for modeling. The solved starting structures are modified to allow for differences between the actual amino acids in the immunoglobulin chains or domains being modeled, and those in the starting structure. The modified structures are then assembled into a composite immunoglobulin. Finally, the model is refined by energy minimization and by verifying that all atoms are within appropriate distances from one another and that bond lengths and angles are within chemically acceptable limits.

The selection of amino acid residues for substitution can also be determined, in part, by examination of the characteristics of the amino acids at particular locations, or empirical observation of the effects of substitution or mutagenesis of particular amino acids. For example, when an amino acid differs between a murine variable region framework residue and a selected human variable region framework residue, the human framework amino acid should usually be substituted by the equivalent framework amino acid from the mouse antibody when it is reasonably expected that the amino acid:

- (1) noncovalently binds antigen directly,
- (2) is adjacent to a CDR region,
- (3) otherwise interacts with a CDR region (*e.g.*, is within about 3-6 Å of a CDR region as determined by computer modeling), or
- (4) participates in the VL-VH interface.

Residues which “noncovalently bind antigen directly” include amino acids in positions in framework regions which have a good probability of directly interacting with amino acids on the antigen according to established chemical forces, for example, by hydrogen bonding, Van der Waals forces, hydrophobic interactions, and the like.

- CDR and framework regions are as defined by Kabat *et al.* or Chothia *et al., supra*. When framework residues, as defined by Kabat *et al., supra*, constitute structural loop residues as defined by Chothia *et al., supra*, the amino acids present in the mouse antibody may be selected for substitution into the humanized antibody.
- 10 Residues which are “adjacent to a CDR region” include amino acid residues in positions immediately adjacent to one or more of the CDRs in the primary sequence of the humanized immunoglobulin chain, for example, in positions immediately adjacent to a CDR as defined by Kabat, or a CDR as defined by Chothia (See *e.g.*, Chothia and Lesk JMB 196:901 (1987)). These amino acids are particularly likely to interact with the 15 amino acids in the CDRs and, if chosen from the acceptor, to distort the donor CDRs and reduce affinity. Moreover, the adjacent amino acids may interact directly with the antigen (Amit *et al.*, Science, 233:747 (1986), which is incorporated herein by reference) and selecting these amino acids from the donor may be desirable to keep all the antigen contacts that provide affinity in the original antibody.
- 20 Residues that “otherwise interact with a CDR region” include those that are determined by secondary structural analysis to be in a spatial orientation sufficient to affect a CDR region. In one embodiment, residues that “otherwise interact with a CDR region” are identified by analyzing a three-dimensional model of the donor immunoglobulin (*e.g.*, a computer-generated model). A three-dimensional model, 25 typically of the original donor antibody, shows that certain amino acids outside of the CDRs are close to the CDRs and have a good probability of interacting with amino acids in the CDRs by hydrogen bonding, Van der Waals forces, hydrophobic interactions, etc. At those amino acid positions, the donor immunoglobulin amino acid rather than the acceptor immunoglobulin amino acid may be selected. Amino acids according to this 30 criterion will generally have a side chain atom within about 3 angstrom units (Å) of some atom in the CDRs and must contain an atom that could interact with the CDR atoms according to established chemical forces, such as those listed above.

In the case of atoms that may form a hydrogen bond, the 3 Å is measured between their nuclei, but for atoms that do not form a bond, the 3 Å is measured between their Van der Waals surfaces. Hence, in the latter case, the nuclei must be within about 6 Å (3 Å plus the sum of the Van der Waals radii) for the atoms to be considered capable of interacting. In many cases the nuclei will be from 4 or 5 to 6 Å apart. In determining whether an amino acid can interact with the CDRs, it is preferred not to consider the last 8 amino acids of heavy chain CDR 2 as part of the CDRs, because from the viewpoint of structure, these 8 amino acids behave more as part of the framework.

Amino acids that are capable of interacting with amino acids in the CDRs, may be identified in yet another way. The solvent accessible surface area of each framework amino acid is calculated in two ways: (1) in the intact antibody, and (2) in a hypothetical molecule consisting of the antibody with its CDRs removed. A significant difference between these numbers of about 10 square angstroms or more shows that access of the framework amino acid to solvent is at least partly blocked by the CDRs, and therefore that the amino acid is making contact with the CDRs. Solvent accessible surface area of an amino acid may be calculated based on a three-dimensional model of an antibody, using algorithms known in the art (e.g., Connolly, J. Appl. Cryst. 16:548 (1983) and Lee and Richards, J. Mol. Biol. 55:379 (1971), both of which are incorporated herein by reference). Framework amino acids may also occasionally interact with the CDRs indirectly, by affecting the conformation of another framework amino acid that in turn contacts the CDRs.

The amino acids at several positions in the framework are known to be important for determining CDR conformation (e.g., capable of interacting with the CDRs) in many antibodies (Chothia and Lesk, *supra*, Chothia *et al.*, *supra* and Tramontano *et al.*, J. Mol. Biol. 215:175 (1990), all of which are incorporated herein by reference). These authors identified conserved framework residues important for CDR conformation by analysis of the structures of several known antibodies. The antibodies analyzed fell into a limited number of structural or “canonical” classes based on the conformation of the CDRs. Conserved framework residues within members of a canonical class are referred to as “canonical” residues. Canonical residues include residues 2, 25, 29, 30, 33, 48, 64, 71, 90, 94 and 95 of the light chain and residues 24, 26, 29, 34, 54, 55, 71 and 94 of the heavy chain. Additional residues (e.g., CDR structure-determining residues) can be identified according to the methodology of

Martin and Thornton (1996) *J. Mol. Biol.* 263:800. Notably, the amino acids at positions 2, 48, 64 and 71 of the light chain and 26-30, 71 and 94 of the heavy chain (numbering according to Kabat) are known to be capable of interacting with the CDRs in many antibodies. The amino acids at positions 35 in the light chain and 93 and 103 in the 5 heavy chain are also likely to interact with the CDRs. Additional residues which may effect conformation of the CDRs can be identified according to the methodology of Foote and Winter (1992) *J. Mol. Biol.* 224:487. Such residues are termed "vernier" residues and are those residues in the framework region closely underlying (*i.e.*, forming a "platform" under) the CDRs. At all these numbered positions, choice of the donor 10 amino acid rather than the acceptor amino acid (when they differ) to be in the humanized immunoglobulin is preferred. On the other hand, certain residues capable of interacting with the CDR region, such as the first 5 amino acids of the light chain, may sometimes be chosen from the acceptor immunoglobulin without loss of affinity in the humanized immunoglobulin.

15 Residues which "participate in the VL-VH interface" or "packing residues" include those residues at the interface between VL and VH as defined, for example, by Novotny and Haber, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 82:4592-66 (1985) or Chothia *et al, supra*. Generally, rare packing residues should be retained in the humanized antibody if they differ from those in the human frameworks.

20 In general, one or more of the amino acids fulfilling the above criteria can be substituted. In some embodiments, all or most of the amino acids fulfilling the above criteria are substituted. Occasionally, there is some ambiguity about whether a particular amino acid meets the above criteria, and alternative variant immunoglobulins are produced, one of which has that particular substitution, the other of which does not. 25 Alternative variant immunoglobulins so produced can be tested in any of the assays described herein for the desired activity, and the preferred immunoglobulin selected.

Usually the CDR regions in humanized antibodies are substantially identical, and more usually, identical to the corresponding CDR regions of the donor antibody. However, in certain embodiments, it may be desirable to modify one or more 30 CDR regions to modify the antigen binding specificity of the antibody and/or reduce the immunogenicity of the antibody. Typically, one or more residues of a CDR are altered to modify binding to achieve a more favored on-rate of binding, a more favored off-rate of binding, or both, such that an idealized binding constant is achieved. Using this

strategy, an antibody having ultra high binding affinity of, for example,  $10^{10} \text{ M}^{-1}$  or more, can be achieved. Briefly, the donor CDR sequence is referred to as a base sequence from which one or more residues are then altered. Affinity maturation techniques, as described herein, can be used to alter the CDR region(s) followed by 5 screening of the resultant binding molecules for the desired change in binding. The method may also be used to alter the donor CDR, typically a mouse CDR, to be less immunogenic such that a potential human anti-mouse antibody (HAMA) response is minimized or avoided. Accordingly, as CDR(s) are altered, changes in binding affinity as well as immunogenicity can be monitored and scored such that an antibody optimized 10 for the best combined binding and low immunogenicity are achieved (see, e.g., U.S. Pat. No. 6,656,467 and U.S. Pat. Pub. US20020164326A1).

In another approach, the CDR regions of the antibody are analyzed to determine the contributions of each individual CDR to antibody binding and/or immunogenicity by systematically replacing each of the donor CDRs with a human 15 counterpart. The resultant panel of humanized antibodies is then scored for antigen affinity and potential immunogenicity of each CDR. In this way, the two clinically important properties of a candidate binding molecule, i.e., antigen binding and low immunogenicity, are determined. If patient sera against a corresponding murine or CDR-grafted (humanized) form of the antibody is available, then the entire panel of 20 antibodies representing the systematic human CDR exchanges can be screened to determine the patients anti-idiotypic response against each donor CDR (for technical details, see, e.g., Iwashi *et al.*, *Mol. Immunol.* 36:1079-91 (1999). Such an approach allows for identifying essential donor CDR regions from non-essential donor CDRs. Nonessential donor CDR regions may then be exchanged with a human counterpart 25 CDR. Where an essential CDR region cannot be exchanged without unacceptable loss of function, identification of the specificity-determining residues (SDRs) of the CDR is performed by, for example, site-directed mutagenesis. In this way, the CDR can then be reengineered to retain only the SDRs and be human and/or minimally immunogenic at the remaining amino acid positions throughout the CDR. Such an approach, where only 30 a portion of the donor CDR is grafted, is also referred to as abbreviated CDR-grafting (for technical details on the foregoing techniques, see, e.g., Tamura *et al.*, *J. of Immunology* 164(3):1432-41. (2000); Gonzales *et al.*, *Mol. Immunol.* 40:337-349 (2003);

Kashmiri *et al.*, *Crit. Rev. Oncol. Hematol.* 38:3-16 (2001); and De Pascalis *et al.*, *J. of Immunology* 169(6):3076-84. (2002).

Moreover, it is sometimes possible to make one or more conservative amino acid substitutions of CDR residues without appreciably affecting the binding 5 affinity of the resulting humanized immunoglobulin. By conservative substitutions are intended combinations such as gly, ala; val, ile, leu; asp, glu; asn, gln; ser, thr; lys, arg; and phe, tyr.

Additional candidates for substitution are acceptor human framework amino acids that are “rare” for a human immunoglobulin at that position. These amino 10 acids can be substituted with amino acids from the equivalent position of the mouse donor antibody or from the equivalent positions of more typical human immunoglobulins. For example, substitution may be desirable when the amino acid in a human framework region of the acceptor immunoglobulin is rare for that position and the corresponding amino acid in the donor immunoglobulin is common for that position 15 in human immunoglobulin sequences; or when the amino acid in the acceptor immunoglobulin is rare for that position and the corresponding amino acid in the donor immunoglobulin is also rare, relative to other human sequences. Whether a residue is rare for acceptor human framework sequences should also be considered when selecting residues for backmutation based on contribution to CDR conformation. For example, if 20 backmutation results in substitution of a residue that is rare for acceptor human framework sequences, a humanized antibody may be tested with and without for activity. If the backmutation is not necessary for activity, it may be eliminated to reduce immunogenicity concerns. For example, backmutation at the following residues may introduce a residue that is rare in acceptor human framework sequences; v1= V2(2.0%), 25 L3 (0.4%), T7 (1.8%), Q18 (0.2%), L83 (1.2%), I85 (2.9%), A100 (0.3%) and L106 (1.1%); and vh = T3 (2.0%), K5 (1.8%), I11 (0.2%), S23 (1.5%), F24 (1.5%), S41 (2.3%), K71 (2.4%), R75 (1.4%), I82 (1.4%), D83 (2.2%) and L109 (0.8%). These criteria help ensure that an atypical amino acid in the human framework does not disrupt the antibody structure. Moreover, by replacing a rare human acceptor amino acid with 30 an amino acid from the donor antibody that happens to be typical for human antibodies, the humanized antibody may be made less immunogenic.

The term “rare”, as used herein, indicates an amino acid occurring at that position in less than about 20%, preferably less than about 10%, more preferably less

than about 5%, even more preferably less than about 3%, even more preferably less than about 2% and even more preferably less than about 1% of sequences in a representative sample of sequences, and the term "common", as used herein, indicates an amino acid occurring in more than about 25% but usually more than about 50% of sequences in a representative sample. For example, when deciding whether an amino acid in a human acceptor sequence is "rare" or "common", it will often be preferable to consider only human variable region sequences and when deciding whether a mouse amino acid is "rare" or "common", only mouse variable region sequences. Moreover, all human light and heavy chain variable region sequences are respectively grouped into "subgroups" of sequences that are especially homologous to each other and have the same amino acids at certain critical positions (Kabat *et al.*, *supra*). When deciding whether an amino acid in a human acceptor sequence is "rare" or "common" among human sequences, it will often be preferable to consider only those human sequences in the same subgroup as the acceptor sequence.

Additional candidates for substitution are acceptor human framework amino acids that would be identified as part of a CDR region under the alternative definition proposed by Chothia *et al.*, *supra*. Additional candidates for substitution are acceptor human framework amino acids that would be identified as part of a CDR region under the AbM and/or contact definitions.

Additional candidates for substitution are acceptor framework residues that correspond to a rare donor framework residue. Rare donor framework residues are those that are rare (as defined herein) for murine antibodies at that position. For murine antibodies, the subgroup can be determined according to Kabat and residue positions identified which differ from the consensus. These donor specific differences may point to somatic mutations in the murine sequence which enhance activity. Rare residues that are predicted to affect binding (*e.g.*, packing canonical and/or vernier residues) are retained, whereas residues predicted to be unimportant for binding can be substituted.

Additional candidates for substitution are non-germline residues occurring in an acceptor framework region. For example, when an acceptor antibody chain (*i.e.*, a human antibody chain sharing significant sequence identity with the donor antibody chain) is aligned to a germline antibody chain (likewise sharing significant sequence identity with the donor chain), residues not matching between acceptor chain

framework and the germline chain framework can be substituted with corresponding residues from the germline sequence.

In exemplary embodiments, a humanized antibody of the present invention (see, for example, subsections c-g *infra*) contains (i) a light chain comprising a variable domain comprising murine VL CDRs and a human acceptor framework, the framework having at least one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine or more residues backmutated (*i.e.*, substituted with the corresponding murine residue), wherein the backmutation(s) are at a canonical, packing and/or vernier residues and (ii) a heavy chain comprising murine VH CDRs and a human acceptor framework, the framework having at least one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine or more residues backmutated, wherein the backmutation(s) are at a canonical, packing and/or vernier residues. In certain embodiments, backmutations are only at packing and/or canonical residues or are primarily at canonical and/or packing residues (*e.g.*, only 1 or 2 vernier residues of the vernier residues differing between the donor and acceptor sequence are backmutated).

In other embodiments, humanized antibodies include the fewest number of backmutations possible while retaining a binding affinity comparable to that of the donor antibody (or a chimeric version thereof). To arrive at such versions, various combinations of backmutations can be eliminated and the resulting antibodies tested for efficacy (*e.g.*, binding affinity). For example, backmutations (*e.g.*, 1, 2, 3, or 4 backmutations) at vernier residues can be eliminated or backmutations at combinations of vernier and packing, vernier and canonical or packing and canonical residues can be eliminated.

Other than the specific amino acid substitutions discussed above, the framework regions of humanized immunoglobulins are usually substantially identical, and more usually, identical to the framework regions of the human antibodies from which they were derived. Of course, many of the amino acids in the framework region make little or no direct contribution to the specificity or affinity of an antibody. Thus, many individual conservative substitutions of framework residues can be tolerated without appreciable change of the specificity or affinity of the resulting humanized immunoglobulin. Thus, in one embodiment the variable framework region of the humanized immunoglobulin shares at least 85% sequence identity to a human variable framework region sequence or consensus of such sequences. In another embodiment,

the variable framework region of the humanized immunoglobulin shares at least 90%, preferably 95%, more preferably 96%, 97%, 98% or 99% sequence identity to a human variable framework region sequence or consensus of such sequences. In general, however, such substitutions are undesirable.

5           In exemplary embodiments, the humanized antibodies of the invention exhibit a specific binding affinity for antigen of at least  $10^7$ ,  $10^8$ ,  $10^9$  or  $10^{10}$  M<sup>-1</sup>. In other embodiments, the antibodies of the invention can have binding affinities of at least  $10^{10}$ ,  $10^{11}$  or  $10^{12}$  M<sup>-1</sup>. Usually the upper limit of binding affinity of the humanized antibodies for antigen is within a factor of three, four or five of that of the donor 10 immunoglobulin. Often the lower limit of binding affinity is also within a factor of three, four or five of that of donor immunoglobulin. Alternatively, the binding affinity can be compared to that of a humanized antibody having no substitutions (*e.g.*, an antibody having donor CDRs and acceptor FRs, but no FR substitutions). In such instances, the binding of the optimized antibody (with substitutions) is preferably at least 15 two- to three-fold greater, or three- to four-fold greater, than that of the unsubstituted antibody. For making comparisons, activity of the various antibodies can be determined, for example, by BIACORE (*i.e.*, surface plasmon resonance using unlabelled reagents) or competitive binding assays.

20          In one embodiment, humanized antibodies of this invention disclosure include a variable region framework sequence selected from human antibody genes (*e.g.*, germline antibody gene segments) which include one or more canonical CDR structure types that are identical or similar to the canonical CDR structure types for the corresponding non-human antibody (*e.g.*, murine) which is humanized. See, U.S. Patent No. 6,881,557 and Tan *et al.*, *Journal of Immunol* 169:1119-1125 (2002) (incorporated 25 by reference in their entirety for all purposes).

Also featured are humanized antibodies comprising a framework region having a consensus amino acid sequence, for example, as described in U.S. Patent No. 6,300,064, incorporated by reference herein in its entirety for all purposes. The following table lists various consensus sequences that can be used as framework regions 30 in the humanized antibodies described herein. Therefore, any one of the consensus sequences shown below can be used as in combination with one or more CDRs described herein, thereby resulting in a humanized immunoglobulin or humanized antibody of this invention.

<b>Consensus Sequences for light chain framework regions</b>	<b>Amino Acid Sequence (SEQ ID NO)</b>
Kappa chain	DIQMTQSPSSLSASVGDRVTITCRASQGISSYLAWYQQKP GKAPKLLIYAASSLQSGVPS RFSGSGSGTDFTLTSSLQPEDFATYYCQQHYTPPTFGQ GTKVEIKRT (SEQ ID NO:73)
Kappa chain	DIVMTQSPSLPVPTEGEPAISCRSSQSLLHSNGNYLDW YLQKPGQSPQLLIYLGSNRA SGVPDRFSGSGSGTDFTLKISRVEAEDGVVYYCQQHYTT PPTFGQGTKVEIKRT (SEQ ID NO:74)
Kappa chain	DIVLTQSPATLSLSPGERATLSCRASQSVSSSYLAWYQQK PGQAPRLLIYGASSRATGVP ARFSGSGSGTDFTLTISLEPEDFAVYYCQQHYTPPTFG QGTKVEIKRT (SEQ ID NO:75)
Kappa chain	DIVMTQSPDSLAVSLGERATINCRESSQSVLYSSNNKNYL AWYQQKPGQPPKLLIYWASTR ESGPDRFSGSGSGTDFTLTISLQAEDVAVYYCQQHYT TPPTFGQGTKVEIKRT (SEQ ID NO:76)
Lambda chain	QSVLTQPPSVSGAPGQRVTISCGSSSNIGSNYVSWYQQL PGTAPKLLIYDNNQRPSGVP DRFSGSKSGTSASLAITGLQSEDEADYYCQQHYTPPVF GGGTKLTVLG (SEQ ID NO:77)
Lambda chain	QSALTQPASVSGSPGQSITISCTGTSSDVGGYNYVSWYQ QHPGKAPKLMYDVSNRPSGV SNRFGSKSGNTASLTISGLQAEDDEADYYCQQHYTPPV FGGGTKLTVLG (SEQ ID NO:78)
Lambda chain	SYELTQPPSVVAPGQTARISCSGDALGDKYASWYQQKP GQAPVLVIYDDSDRPSGIPER FSGSNSGNTATLTISGTQAEDDEADYYCQQHYTPPVFGG GTKLTVLG (SEQ ID NO:79)
<b>Consensus Sequences for heavy chain framework regions</b>	<b>Amino Acid Sequence (SEQ ID NO)</b>
Heavy chain	QVQLVQSGAEVKKPGSSVKVSCKASGGTFSSYAIWVR QAPGQGLEWMGGIPIFGTANY AQKFQGRVTITADESTSTAYMELSSLRSEDTAVYYCAR WGGDGFYAMDYWGQGTLTVSS (SEQ ID NO:80)
Heavy chain	QVQLVQSGAEVKKPGASVKVSCKASGYTFTSYMMHWV RQAPGQGLEWMGWNPNSGGTNYAQKFQGRVTMTRDT SISTAYMELSSLRSEDTAVYYCARWGGDGFYAMDYWG QGTLTVSS (SEQ ID NO:81)
Heavy chain	QVQLKESGPALVKPTQTLTCTFSGFSLSTSGVGVGWIR QPPGKALEWLALIDWDDDKEYSTSLKTRLTISKDTSKNQ VVLTMTNMDPVDTATYYCARWGGDGFYAMDYWGQG TLTVSS (SEQ ID NO: 82)
Heavy chain	EVQLVESGGGVQPGGSLRLSCAASGFTFSSYAMSWVR

	QAPGKGLEWVSAISGGGSTYYADSVKGRFTISRDNSKN TLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCARWGGDGFYAMDYWGQG TLTVVSS (SEQ ID NO:83)
Heavy chain	QVQLQESGPGLVKPSETSLTCTVSGGSISSYYWSWIRQP PGKGLEWIGYIYYSGSTNPNPSLKSRTISVDTSKNQFSL KLSSVTAADTAVYYCARWGGDGFYAMDYWGQGTLVT VSS (SEQ ID NO:84)
Heavy chain	EVQLVQSGAEVKKPGESLKISCKGSGYSFTSYWIGWVRQ MPGKGLEWMGIYPGDSDDTRYSPSFQGQVTISADKSISTA YLQWSSLKASDTAMYYCARWGGDGFYAMDYWGQGTL VTVSS (SEQ ID NO:85)
Heavy chain	QVQLQQSGPGLVKPSQTLSTCAISGDSVSSNSAAWNWI RQSPGRGLEWLGRTRYRSKWYNDYAVSVKSRITINPDTS KNQFSLQLNSVTPEDTAVYYCARWGGDGFYAMDYWG QGTLTVSS (SEQ ID NO:86)

Yet another strategy to produce the humanized antibodies of this invention is to select the closest human germline sequence as the framework which receives the CDRs from a murine antibody to be humanized. *See*, Mercken *et al.*, US 5 2005/0129695 (incorporated by reference in their entirety for all purposes). Germline sequences originate from un-rearranged immunoglobulin genes and therefore do not present somatic hypermutation that is potentially immunogenic. This approach is based on the search for the closest human germline sequence. In particular, variable domains from germline sequences that exhibit a high degree of sequence identity with the murine 10 VL and VH framework regions can be identified using the V-Base and/or IMGT databases (publicly accessible through the Medical Research Council Center for Protein Engineering internet server and the European Bioinformatics Institute internet server, respectively). The murine CDRs are then grafted on to the chosen human germline variable region acceptor sequences.

15 Additional exemplary humanization techniques that can be used for humanizing the immunoglobulins of the invention are described in, for example, Presta *et al.*, J. Immunol., 151: 2623-2632 (1993); Carter *et al.*, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA., 89: 4285-4289 (1992); Couto *et al.*, Cancer Res., 55: 5973s-77s (1995); O'Conner *et al.*, Protein Eng., 11: 321-328 (1998); and Antibody Engineering-Methods and Protocols by 20 Lo, Vol. 248 (2004).

Additionally, framework residues can be analyzed using any of the techniques as described above to determine which, if any, residues should be substituted

to optimize the properties of the resulting humanized antibody. For example, computer modeling can be used to identify residues which have a good probability of directly or indirectly influencing antigen binding.

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### c. Production of Humanized 3D6 Antibodies

In exemplary aspects of the present invention, humanized 3D6 antibodies are featured for use in the therapeutic and/or diagnostic methodologies described herein. 3D6 is specific for the N-terminus of A $\beta$  and has been shown to mediate phagocytosis (*e.g.*, induce phagocytosis) of amyloid plaque (see Examples I-II). 3D6 has also been 10 shown to preferentially bind soluble, oligomeric A $\beta$  and is effective for rapid improvement in cognition in mammalian subjects (see Examples XII and XIII).

Suitable human acceptor antibody sequences for use in the humanization of murine 3D6 are identified by computer comparisons of the amino acid sequences of the mouse variable regions with the sequences of known human antibodies. The 15 comparison is performed separately for heavy and light chains but the principles are similar for each. In particular, variable domains from human antibodies whose framework sequences exhibit a high degree of sequence identity with the murine VL and VH framework regions are identified by query of the Kabat Database using NCBI BLAST (publicly accessible through the National Institutes of Health NCBI internet 20 server) with the respective murine framework sequences. In one embodiment, acceptor sequences sharing greater than 50% sequence identity with murine donor sequences are selected. Preferably, acceptor antibody sequences sharing greater than 60%, 70%, 80%, 90% or more sequence identity are selected.

The cloning and sequencing of cDNA encoding the murine 3D6 antibody 25 heavy and light chain variable regions is described in Example III. A computer comparison of murine 3D6 with human variable sequences revealed that the 3D6 light chain shows the greatest sequence identity to human light chains of subtype kappa II, and that the 3D6 heavy chain shows greatest sequence identity to human heavy chains of subtype III, as defined by Kabat *et al.*, *supra*. Thus, light and heavy human framework 30 regions are preferably derived from human antibodies of these subtypes, or from consensus sequences of such subtypes. The preferred light chain human variable regions showing greatest sequence identity to the corresponding region from 3D6 are from antibodies having Kabat ID Numbers 019230, 005131, 005058, 005057, 005059,

U21040 and U41645, with 019230 being more preferred. The preferred heavy chain human variable regions showing greatest sequence identity to the corresponding region from 3D6 are from antibodies having Kabat ID Numbers 045919, 000459, 000553, 000386 and M23691, with 045919 being more preferred.

5 Residues are next selected for substitution, as follows. When an amino acid differs between a 3D6 variable framework region and an equivalent human variable framework region, the human framework amino acid should usually be substituted by the equivalent mouse amino acid if it is reasonably expected that the amino acid:

- (1) noncovalently binds antigen directly,
- 10 (2) is adjacent to a CDR region, is part of a CDR region under the alternative definition proposed by Chothia *et al.*, *supra*, or otherwise interacts with a CDR region (e.g., is within about 3A of a CDR region) (e.g., amino acids at positions L2, H49 and H94 of 3D6), or
- 15 (3) participates in the VL-VH interface (e.g., amino acids at positions L36, L46 and H93 of 3D6).

Computer modeling of the 3D6 antibody heavy and light chain variable regions, and humanization of the 3D6 antibody is described in Example VI. Briefly, a three-dimensional model was generated based on the closest solved murine antibody structures for the heavy and light chains. For this purpose, an antibody designated 1CR9 (Protein Data Bank (PDB) ID: 1CR9, Kanyo *et al.*, *J. Mol. Biol.* 293:855 (1999)) was chosen as a template for modeling the 3D6 light chain, and an antibody designated 1OPG (PDB ID: 1OPG, Kodandapani *et al.*, *J. Biol. Chem.* 270:2268 (1995)) was chosen as the template for modeling the heavy chain. The model was further refined by a series of energy minimization steps to relieve unfavorable atomic contacts and 25 optimize electrostatic and van der Waals interactions. The solved structure of 1qkz (PDB ID: 1QKZ, Derrick *et al.*, *J. Mol. Biol.* 293:81 (1999)) was chosen as a template for modeling CDR3 of the heavy chain as 3D6 and 1OPG did not exhibit significant sequence homology in this region when aligned for comparison purposes.

Three-dimensional structural information for the antibodies described 30 herein is publicly available, for example, from the Research Collaboratory for Structural Bioinformatics' Protein Data Bank (PDB). The PDB is freely accessible *via* the World Wide Web internet and is described by Berman *et al.* (2000) *Nucleic Acids Research*, 28:235. Computer modeling allows for the identification of CDR-interacting residues.

The computer model of the structure of 3D6 can in turn serve as a starting point for predicting the three-dimensional structure of an antibody containing the 3D6 complementarity determining regions substituted in human framework structures. Additional models can be constructed representing the structure as further amino acid 5 substitutions are introduced.

In general, substitution of one, most or all of the amino acids fulfilling the above criteria is desirable. Accordingly, the humanized antibodies of the present invention will usually contain a substitution of a human light chain framework residue with a corresponding 3D6 residue in at least 1, 2 or 3, and more usually 4, of the 10 following positions: L1, L2, L36 and L46. The humanized antibodies also usually contain a substitution of a human heavy chain framework residue with a corresponding 3D6 residue in at least 1, 2, and sometimes 3, of the following positions: H49, H93 and H94. Humanized antibodies can also contain a substitution of a heavy chain framework residue with a corresponding germline residue in at least 1, 2, and sometimes 3, of the 15 following positions: H74, H77 and H89.

Occasionally, however, there is some ambiguity about whether a particular amino acid meets the above criteria, and alternative variant immunoglobulins are produced, one of which has that particular substitution, the other of which does not. In instances where substitution with a murine residue would introduce a residue that is 20 rare in human immunoglobulins at a particular position, it may be desirable to test the antibody for activity with or without the particular substitution. If activity (e.g., binding affinity and/or binding specificity) is about the same with or without the substitution, the antibody without substitution may be preferred, as it would be expected to elicit less of a HAHA response, as described herein.

25 Other candidates for substitution are acceptor human framework amino acids that are rare for a human immunoglobulin at that position. These amino acids can be substituted with amino acids from the equivalent position of more typical human immunoglobulins. Alternatively, amino acids from equivalent positions in the mouse 3D6 can be introduced into the human framework regions when such amino acids are 30 typical of human immunoglobulin at the equivalent positions.

In additional embodiments, when the human light chain framework acceptor immunoglobulin is Kabat ID Number 019230, the light chain contains substitutions in at least 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 or more usually 13, of the

following positions: L7, L10, L12, L15, L17, L39, L45, L63, L78, L83, L85, L100 or L104. In additional embodiments when the human heavy chain framework acceptor immunoglobulin is Kabat ID Number 045919, the heavy chain contains substitutions in at least 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, or more usually 15, of the following 5 positions: H3, H5, H13, H16, H19, H40, H41, H42, H44, H72, H77, H82A, H83, H84, or H108. These positions are substituted with the amino acid from the equivalent position of a human immunoglobulin having a more typical amino acid residue. Examples of appropriate amino acids to substitute are shown in Figures 1 and 2.

Other candidates for substitution are non-germline residues occurring in a 10 framework region. A computer comparison of 3D6 with known germline sequences revealed that heavy chains showing the greatest degree of sequence identity include germline variable region sequences VH3-48, VH3-23, VH3-7, VH3-21 and VH3-11, with VH3-23 being more preferred. Alignment of Kabat ID 045919 with VH3-23 reveals that residues H74, H77 and/or H89 may be selected for substitution with 15 corresponding germline residues (*e.g.*, residues H74, H77 and/or H89 when comparing Kabat ID 045919 and VH3-23). Likewise, germline sequences having the greatest degree of identity to the 3D6 light chain include A1, A17, A18, A2 and A19, with A19 being most preferred. Residues not matching between a selected light chain acceptor framework and one of these germline sequences could be selected for substitution with 20 the corresponding germline residue.

Table 1 summarizes the sequence analysis of the 3D6 VH and VL regions. Additional mouse and human structures that can be used for computer modeling of the 3D6 antibody and additional human antibodies are set forth as well as germline sequences that can be used in selecting amino acid substitutions. Rare mouse 25 residues are also set forth in Table 1. Rare mouse residues are identified by comparing the donor VL and/or VH sequences with the sequences of other members of the subgroup to which the donor VL and/or VH sequences belong (according to Kabat) and identifying the residue positions which differ from the consensus. These donor specific differences may point to somatic mutations which enhance activity. Rare residues close 30 to the binding site may possibly contact the antigen, making it desirable to retain the mouse residue. However, if the rare mouse residue is not important for binding, use of the corresponding acceptor residue is preferred as the mouse residue may create immunogenic neoepitopes in the humanized antibody. In the situation where a rare

residue in the donor sequence is actually a common residues in the corresponding acceptor sequence, the preferred residue is clearly the acceptor residue.

Table 1: Summary of 3D6 V-region sequence

Chain	Heavy	Light
Mouse subgroup (Kabat seq ID#)	IID (002688)	II (005840-005844, 005851-005853, 005857, 005863)
Mouse homologs (Kabat/Genbank)	002727/163.1'CL 002711/H35-C6'CL 002733/8-1-12-5-3-1(A2-1)'CL 002715/ASWA2'CL 020669/#14'CL	005840/1210.7 005843/42.4b.12.2'CL 005842/BXW-14'CL 005841/42.7B3.2'CL 005851/36-60CRI-
Rare amino acids (% frequency of occurrence in class)	N40 (0.233%) D42 (0.699%)	Y1(0.035%) I15 (3.3%) D27 (0.867%)-CDR1 I78 (0.677%) L85 (0.625%) W89 (0.815%)-CDR3 K106A (0.295%)
Human Subgroup	III (000488-000491, 000503, 000624)	II (005046)
Chothia canonical CDR groupings [pdb example]	H1: class 1 [2fbj] H2: class 3 [1igc]	L1: class 4 [1rmf] L2: class 1 [1lmk] L3: class 1 [1tet]
Closest solved mouse structures	PDB ID: 1OPG Kodandapani <i>et al.</i> , <i>supra</i> ; (72% 2Å)	PDB ID: 1CR9; Kanyo <i>et al.</i> , <i>supra</i> ; (94%, 2Å) PDB ID: 1NLD; Davies <i>et al.</i> , <i>Acta Crystallogr. D. Biol. Crystallog.</i> 53:186 (1997); (98%, 2.8Å)
Closest solved human structures	1VH (68%, nmr) 443560 (65%, IgG, λ myeloma, 1.8Å) KOL/2FB4H (60%, myeloma, 3Å)	1LVE (57%, LEN) 1B6DA (54%, B-J dimer, 2.8Å); 1VGEL (54%, autoAb)
Germline query (Hu) results (top 4)	VH3-48 (4512283/BAA75032.1) VH3-23 (4512287/BAA75046.1) VH3-7 (4512300/BAA75056.1) VH3-21 (4512287/BAA75047.1) VH3-11 (4152300/BAA75053.1)	A1(x63402) A17 (x63403) A18 (X63396) A2 (m31952) A19 (x63397)

5 \*heavy chain and light chain from the same antibody (O-81, Hirabayashi *et al.* NAR 20:2601).

Kabat ID sequences referenced herein are publicly available, for example, from the Northwestern University Biomedical Engineering Department's Kabat Database of Sequences of Proteins of Immunological Interest. Three-dimensional structural information for antibodies described herein is publicly available, for example,

5 from the Research Collaboratory for Structural Bioinformatics' Protein Data Bank (PDB). The PDB is freely accessible *via* the World Wide Web internet and is described by Berman *et al.* (2000) *Nucleic Acids Research*, p235-242. Germline gene sequences referenced herein are publicly available, for example, from the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) database of sequences in collections of IgH, Ig kappa

10 and Ig lambda germline V genes (as a division of the National Library of Medicine (NLM) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH)). Homology searching of the NCBI "Ig Germline Genes" database is provided by IgG BLAST™.

In a preferred embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention contains (i) a light chain comprising a variable domain comprising murine 15 3D6 VL CDRs and a human acceptor framework, the framework having at least one, preferably two, three or four residues selected from the group consisting of L1, L2, L36, and L46 substituted with the corresponding 3D6 residue and (ii) a heavy chain comprising 3D6 VH CDRs and a human acceptor framework, the framework having at least one, preferably two or three residues selected from the group consisting of H49, 20 H93 and H94 substituted with the corresponding 3D6 residue, and, optionally, at least one, preferably two or three residues selected from the group consisting of H74, H77 and H89 is substituted with a corresponding human germline residue.

In a more preferred embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention contains (i) a light chain comprising a variable domain comprising murine 25 3D6 VL CDRs and a human acceptor framework, the framework having residue 1 substituted with a tyr (Y), residue 2 substituted with a val (V), residue 36 substituted with a leu (L) and/or residue 46 substituted with an arg (R), and (ii) a heavy chain comprising 3D6 VH CDRs and a human acceptor framework, the framework having residue 49 substituted with an ala (A), residue 93 substituted with a val (V) and/or 30 residue 94 substituted with an arg (R), and, optionally, having residue 74 substituted with a ser (S), residue 77 substituted with a thr (T) and/or residue 89 substituted with a val (V).

In a particularly preferred embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and further has at least one (preferably two, three, four or all) of the following activities: (1) binds aggregated A $\beta$ 1-42 (*e.g.*, as determined by ELISA); (2) binds A $\beta$  in plaques (*e.g.*, staining of AD and/or PDAPP plaques); (3) binds A $\beta$  with two- to three-fold higher binding affinity as compared to chimeric 3D6 (*e.g.*, 3D6 having murine variable region sequences and human constant region sequences); (4) mediates phagocytosis of A $\beta$  (*e.g.*, in an *ex vivo* phagocytosis assay, as described herein); and (5) crosses the blood-brain barrier (*e.g.*, demonstrates short-term brain localization, for example, in a PDAPP animal model, as described herein).

In another embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and further binds A $\beta$  in a manner or with an affinity sufficient to elicit at least one of the following *in vivo* effects: (1) reduce A $\beta$  plaque burden; (2) prevent plaque formation; (3) reduce levels of soluble A $\beta$  (*e.g.*, soluble oligomeric A $\beta$ ); (4) reduce the neuritic pathology associated with an amyloidogenic disorder; (5) lessens or ameliorate at least one physiological symptom associated with an amyloidogenic disorder; and/or (6) improves cognitive function (*e.g.*, rapid improvement).

In another embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and specifically binds to an epitope comprising residues 1-5 or 3-7 of A $\beta$ .

#### d. Production of Humanized 12B4 Antibodies

In further exemplary examples of the present invention, humanized 12B4 antibodies are featured for use in the therapeutic and/or diagnostic methodologies described herein. 12B4 is specific for the N-terminus of A $\beta$  and has been shown to mediate phagocytosis (*e.g.*, induce phagocytosis) of amyloid plaque. 12B4 has also been shown to appreciably capture soluble A $\beta$ . The cloning and sequencing of cDNA encoding the 12B4 antibody heavy and light chain variable regions is described in Example V.

Identification of suitable human acceptor antibody sequences for humanization of 12B4 is the same as described in subsection c, supra.

A computer comparison of 12B4 revealed that the 12B4 light chain shows the greatest sequence identity to human light chains of subtype kappa II, and that the 12B4 heavy chain shows greatest sequence identity to human heavy chains of subtype II, as defined by Kabat *et al.*, *supra*. Thus, light and heavy human framework regions are preferably derived from human antibodies of these subtypes, or from consensus sequences of such subtypes. The preferred light chain human variable regions showing greatest sequence identity to the corresponding region from 12B4 are from an antibody having Kabat ID Number 005036. The preferred heavy chain human variable regions showing greatest sequence identity to the corresponding region from 12B4 are from an antibody having Kabat ID Number 000333, an antibody having Genbank Accession No. AAB35009, and an antibody having Genbank Accession No. AAD53816, with the antibody having Kabat ID Number 000333 being more preferred.

Residues are next selected for substitution, as follows. When an amino acid differs between a 12B4 variable framework region and an equivalent human variable framework region, the human framework amino acid should usually be substituted by the equivalent mouse amino acid if it is reasonably expected that the amino acid:

- (1) noncovalently binds antigen directly,
- (2) is adjacent to a CDR region, is part of a CDR region under the alternative definition proposed by Chothia *et al.*, *supra*, or otherwise interacts with a CDR region (*e.g.*, is within about 3A of a CDR region), or
- (3) participates in the VL-VH interface.

Computer modeling of the 12B4 antibody heavy and light chain variable regions, and humanization of the 12B4 antibody is described in Example V. Briefly, a three-dimensional model is generated based on the closest solved murine antibody structures for the heavy and light chains. The model is further refined by a series of energy minimization steps to relieve unfavorable atomic contacts and optimize electrostatic and van der Waals interactions.

Computer modeling allows for the identification of CDR-interacting residues. The computer model of the structure of 12B4 can in turn serve as a starting point for predicting the three-dimensional structure of an antibody containing the 12B4 complementarity determining regions substituted in human framework structures.

Additional models can be constructed representing the structure as further amino acid substitutions are introduced.

In general, substitution of one, most or all of the amino acids fulfilling the above criteria is desirable. Accordingly, the humanized antibodies of the present  
5 invention will usually contain a substitution of a human light chain framework residue with a corresponding 12B4 residue in at least 1, 2, 3 or more of the chosen positions. The humanized antibodies also usually contain a substitution of a human heavy chain framework residue with a corresponding 12B4 residue in at least 1, 2, 3 or more of the chosen positions.

10 Occasionally ambiguities about whether a particular amino acid meets the above criteria can be addressed as described in subsection c, *supra*.

Other candidates for substitution are acceptor human framework amino acids that are rare for a human immunoglobulin at that position. These amino acids can be substituted with amino acids from the equivalent position of more typical human  
15 immunoglobulins. Alternatively, amino acids from equivalent positions in the mouse 12B4 can be introduced into the human framework regions when such amino acids are typical of human immunoglobulin at the equivalent positions.

Other candidates for substitution are non-germline residues occurring in a framework region. By performing a computer comparison of 12B4 with known  
20 germline sequences, germline sequences with the greatest degree of sequence identity to the heavy or light chain can be identified. Alignment of the framework region and the germline sequence will reveal which residues may be selected for substitution with corresponding germline residues. Residues not matching between a selected light chain acceptor framework and one of these germline sequences could be selected for  
25 substitution with the corresponding germline residue.

Table 2 summarizes the sequence analysis of the 12B4 VH and VL regions. Additional mouse and human structures that can be used for computer modeling of the 12B4 antibody and additional human antibodies are set forth as well as germline sequences that can be used in selecting amino acid substitutions. Rare mouse  
30 residues are also set forth in Table 2. Rare mouse residues are identified by comparing the donor VL and/or VH sequences with the sequences of other members of the subgroup to which the donor VL and/or VH sequences belong (according to Kabat) and identifying the residue positions which differ from the consensus. These donor specific

differences may point to somatic mutations which enhance activity. Rare residues close to the binding site may possibly contact the antigen, making it desirable to retain the mouse residue. However, if the rare mouse residue is not important for binding, use of the corresponding acceptor residue is preferred as the mouse residue may create 5 immunogenic neoepitopes in the humanized antibody. In the situation where a rare residue in the donor sequence is actually a common residue in the corresponding acceptor sequence, the preferred residue is clearly the acceptor residue.

Table 2. Summary of 12B4 V region sequence

Chain	VL	VH
Mouse Subgroup	II	Ib
Human Subgroup	II	II
Rare amino acids (% frequency)	K107 (0.542%)	T3, I11, L12, F24, S41, N75, D83, A85
Chothia canonical class	L1: ~class 4[1rmf] L2: class 1[1lmk] L3: class 1[1tet]	H1: class 3 [1ggi] H2:~class 1
Closest mouse MAb solved structure	2PCP (2.2Å)	1ETZ (2.6Å)
Homology with modeling template	94%	80%
Human Framework seq	KABID 005036	1-KABID 000333 2-AAB35009/1F7 3-AAD53816
Germline ref for Hu Fr	A3/x12690 & A19/X63397	1: VH4-39/AB019439/ BAA75036.1 2: VH2-5/AB019440/ BAA75057.1

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In a preferred embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention contains (i) a light chain comprising a variable domain comprising murine 12B4 VL CDRs and a human acceptor framework, the framework having at least one,

residue substituted with the corresponding 12B4 residue and (ii) a heavy chain comprising 12B4 VH CDRs and a human acceptor framework, the framework having at least one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, or nine residues substituted with the corresponding 12B4 residue, and, optionally, at least one, two or three residues  
5 substituted with a corresponding human germline residue.

In another preferred embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and further has at least one (preferably two, three, four or all) of the following activities: (1) binds soluble A $\beta$ ; (2) binds aggregated A $\beta$ 1-42 (e.g., as determined by ELISA); (3) binds A $\beta$  in plaques (e.g.,  
10 staining of AD and/or PDAPP plaques); (4) binds A $\beta$  with two- to three-fold higher binding affinity as compared to chimeric 12B4 (e.g., 12B4 having murine variable region sequences and human constant region sequences); (5) mediates phagocytosis of A $\beta$  (e.g., in an *ex vivo* phagocytosis assay, as described herein); and (6) crosses the blood-brain barrier (e.g., demonstrates short-term brain localization, for example, in a  
15 PDAPP animal model, as described herein).

In another preferred embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and further binds A $\beta$  in a manner or with an affinity sufficient to elicit at least one of the following and further *in vivo* effects: (1) reduce A $\beta$  plaque burden; (2) prevent plaque formation; (3) reduce levels of  
20 soluble A $\beta$ ; (4) reduce the neuritic pathology associated with an amyloidogenic disorder; (5) lessen or ameliorate at least one physiological symptom associated with an amyloidogenic disorder; and/or (6) improve cognitive function.

In another preferred embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and specifically binds to an epitope comprising residues 3-7 of A $\beta$ .  
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In another preferred embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, binds to an N-terminal epitope within A $\beta$  (e.g., binds to an epitope within amino acids 3-7 of A $\beta$ ), and is capable of reducing (1) A $\beta$  peptide levels; (2) A $\beta$  plaque burden; and (3) the neuritic burden or  
30 neuritic dystrophy associated with an amyloidogenic disorder.

e. Production of Humanized 12A11 Antibodies

In further exemplary aspects of the present invention, 12A11 humanized antibodies are featured for use in the therapeutic and/or diagnostic methodologies described herein. 12A11 is specific for the N-terminus of A $\beta$  and has been shown to (1) 5 have a high avidity for aggregated A $\beta$ 1-42, (2) have the ability to capture soluble A $\beta$ , and (3) mediate phagocytosis (*e.g.*, induce phagocytosis) of amyloid plaque (see Examples IX and XI). The *in vivo* efficacy of the 12A11 antibody is described in Example X. 12A11 has also been shown to preferentially bind soluble, oligomeric A $\beta$  and is effective for rapid improvement of cognition in mammalian subjects (see 10 Examples XII, XIII, and XIV). The cloning and sequencing of cDNA encoding the 12A11 antibody heavy and light chain variable regions is described in Example XV.

Identification of suitable human acceptor antibody sequences is the same as described in subsection c, *supra*. A computer comparison of 12A11 revealed that the 12A11 light chain (mouse subgroup II) shows the greatest sequence identity to human 15 light chains of subtype kappa II, and that the 12A11 heavy chain (mouse subgroup Ib) shows greatest sequence identity to human heavy chains of subtype II, as defined by Kabat *et al.*, *supra*. Light and heavy human framework regions can be derived from human antibodies of these subtypes, or from consensus sequences of such subtypes. In a first humanization effort, light chain variable framework regions were derived from 20 human subgroup II antibodies. Based on previous experiments designed to achieve high levels of expression of humanized antibodies having heavy chain variable framework regions derived from human subgroup II antibodies, it had been discovered that expression levels of such antibodies were sometimes low. Accordingly, based on the reasoning described in Saldanha *et al.* (1999) *Mol Immunol.* 36:709-19, framework 25 regions from human subgroup III antibodies were chosen rather than human subgroup II.

A human subgroup II antibody K64(AIMS4) (accession no. BAC01733) was identified from the NCBI non-redundant database having significant sequence identity within the light chain variable regions of 12A11. A human subgroup III antibody M72 (accession no. AAA69734) was identified from the NCBI non-redundant 30 database having significant sequence identity within the heavy chain variable regions of 12A11 (see also Schroeder and Wang (1990) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A.* 87: 6146-6150.

Alternative light chain acceptor sequences include, for example, PDB Accession No. 1KFA (gi24158782), PDB Accession No. 1KFA (gi24158784), EMBL Accession No. CAE75574.1 (gi38522587), EMBL Accession No. CAE75575.1 (gi38522590), EMBL Accession No. CAE84952.1 (gi39838891), DJB Accession No.

5 BAC01734.1 (gi21669419), DJB Accession No. BAC01730.1 (gi21669411), PIR Accession No. S40312 (gi481978), EMBL Accession No. CAA51090.1 (gi3980118), GenBank Accession No. AAH63599.1 (gi39794308), PIR Accession No. S22902 (gi106540), PIR Accession No. S42611 (gi631215), EMBL Accession No. CAA38072.1 (gi433890), GenBank Accession No. AAD00856.1 (gi4100384), EMBL Accession No.

10 CAA39072.1 (gi34000), PIR Accession No. S23230 (gi284256), DBJ Accession No. BAC01599.1 (gi21669149), DBJ Accession No. BAC01729.1 (gi21669409), DBJ Accession No. BAC01562.1 (gi21669075), EMBL Accession No. CAA85590.1 (gi587338), GenBank Accession No. AAQ99243.1 (gi37694665), GenBank Accession No. AAK94811.1 (gi18025604), EMBL Accession No. CAB51297.1 (gi5578794), DBJ

15 Accession No. BAC01740.1 (gi21669431), and DBJ Accession No. BAC01733.1 (gi21669417). Alternative heavy chain acceptor sequences include, for example, GenBank Accession No. AAB35009.1 (gi1041885), DBJ Accession No. BAC01904.1 (gi21669789), GenBank Accession No. AAD53816.1 (gi5834100), GenBank Accession No. AAS86081.1 (gi46254223), DBJ Accession No. BAC01462.1 (gi21668870),

20 GenBank Accession No. AAC18191.1 (gi3170773), DBJ Accession No. BAC02266.1 (gi21670513), GenBank Accession No. AAD56254.1 (gi5921589), GenBank Accession No. AAD53807.1 (gi5834082), DBJ Accession No. BAC02260.1 (gi21670501), GenBank Accession No. AAC18166.1 (gi3170723), EMBL Accession No. CAA49495.1 (gi33085), PIR Accession No. S31513 (gi345903), GenBank Accession No.

25 AAS86079.1 (gi46254219), DBJ Accession No. BAC01917.1 (gi21669815), DBJ Accession No. BAC01912.1 (gi21669805), GenBank Accession No. AAC18283.1 (gi3170961), DBJ Accession No. BAC01903 (gi21669787), DBJ Accession NO. BAC01887.1 (gi21669755), DBJ Accession No. BAC02259.1 (gi21370499), DBJ Accession No. BAC01913.1 (gi21669807), DBJ Accession No. BAC01910.1

30 (gi21669801), DJB Accession No. BAC02267.1 (gi21670515), GenBank Accession No. AAC18306.1 (gi3171011), GenBank Accession No. AAD53817.1 (gi5834102), PIR Accession No. E36005 (gi106423), EMBL CAB37129.1 (gi4456494) and GenBank AAA68892.1 (gi186190).

In exemplary embodiments, humanized antibodies of the invention include 12A11 CDRs and FRs from an acceptor sequence listed *supra*. Residues within the framework regions important for CDR conformation and/or activity as described herein are selected for backmutation (if differing between donor and acceptor sequences).

5 sequences).

Residues are next selected for substitution, as follows. When an amino acid differs between a 12A11 variable framework region and an equivalent human variable framework region, the human framework amino acid should usually be substituted by the equivalent mouse amino acid if it is reasonably expected that the

10 amino acid:

- (1) noncovalently binds antigen directly,
- (2) is adjacent to a CDR region, is part of a CDR region under the alternative definition proposed by Chothia *et al.*, *supra*, or otherwise interacts with a CDR region (e.g., is within about 3A of a CDR region), or
- 15 (3) participates in the VL-VH interface.

Structural analysis of the 12A11 antibody heavy and light chain variable regions, and humanization of the 12A11 antibody is described in Example V. Briefly, three-dimensional models for the solved murine antibody structures 1KTR for the light chain and 1JRH and 1ETZ for the heavy chain were studied. Alternative three-dimensional models which can be studied for identification of residues, important for CDR confirmation (e.g., vernier residues), include PDB Accession No. 2JEL (gi3212688), PDB Accession No. 1TET (gi494639), PDB Accession No. IJP5 (gi16975307), PDB Accession No. 1CBV (gi493917), PDB Accession No. 2PCP (gi4388943), PDB Accession No. 1I9I (gi2050118), PDB Accession No. 1CLZ (gi1827926), PDB Accession No. 1FL6 (gi17942615) and PDB Accession No. 1KEL (gi1942968) for the light chain and PDB 1GGI (gi442938), PDB Accession No. 1GGB (gi442934), PDB Accession No. 1N5Y (gi28373913), PDB Accession No. 2HMI (gi3891821), PDB Accession No. 1FDL (gi229915), PDB Accession No. 1KIP (gi1942788), PDB Accession No. 1KIQ (gi1942791) and PDB Accession No. 1VFA (gi576325) for the heavy chain.

Study of solved three-dimensional structures allows for the identification of CDR-interacting residues within 12A11. Alternatively, three-dimensional models for the 12A11 VH and VL chains can be generated using computer modeling software.

Briefly, a three-dimensional model is generated based on the closest solved murine antibody structures for the heavy and light chains. For this purpose, 1KTR can be used as a template for modeling the 12A11 light chain, and 1ETZ and 1JRH used as templates for modeling the heavy chain. The model can be further refined by a series of energy 5 minimization steps to relieve unfavorable atomic contacts and optimize electrostatic and van der Waals interactions. Additional three-dimensional analysis and/or modeling can be performed using 2JEL (2.5Å) and/or 1TET (2.3Å) for the light chain and 1GGI (2.8Å) for the heavy chain (or other antibodies set forth *supra*) based on the similarity between these solved murine structures and the respective 12A11 chains.

10           The computer model of the structure of 12A11 can further serve as a starting point for predicting the three-dimensional structure of an antibody containing the 12A11 complementarity determining regions substituted in human framework structures. Additional models can be constructed representing the structure as further amino acid substitutions are introduced.

15           In general, substitution of one, most or all of the amino acids fulfilling the above criteria is desirable. Accordingly, the humanized antibodies of the present invention will usually contain a substitution of a human light chain framework residue with a corresponding 12A11 residue in at least 1, 2, 3 or more of the chosen positions. The humanized antibodies also usually contain a substitution of a human heavy chain 20 framework residue with a corresponding 12A11 residue in at least 1, 2, 3 or more of the chosen positions.

Ambiguities about whether a particular amino acid meets the above criteria can be addressed as described in subsection c, *supra*.

25           Other candidates for substitution are acceptor human framework amino acids that are rare for a human immunoglobulin at that position. These amino acids can be substituted with amino acids from the equivalent position of more typical human immunoglobulins. Alternatively, amino acids from equivalent positions in the mouse 12A11 can be introduced into the human framework regions when such amino acids are typical of human immunoglobulin at the equivalent positions.

30           Other candidates for substitution are non-germline residues occurring in a framework region. By performing a computer comparison of 12A11 with known germline sequences, germline sequences with the greatest degree of sequence identity to the heavy or light chain can be identified. Alignment of the framework region and the

germline sequence will reveal which residues may be selected for substitution with corresponding germline residues. Residues not matching between a selected light chain acceptor framework and one of these germline sequences could be selected for substitution with the corresponding germline residue.

5           Rare mouse residues are identified by comparing the donor VL and/or VH sequences with the sequences of other members of the subgroup to which the donor VL and/or VH sequences belong (according to Kabat) and identifying the residue positions which differ from the consensus. These donor specific differences may point to somatic mutations which enhance activity. Rare residues close to the binding site  
10 may possibly contact the antigen, making it desirable to retain the mouse residue. However, if the rare mouse residue is not important for binding, use of the corresponding acceptor residue is preferred as the mouse residue may create immunogenic neoepitopes in the humanized antibody. In the situation where a rare residue in the donor sequence is actually a common residue in the corresponding  
15 acceptor sequence, the preferred residue is clearly the acceptor residue.

Table 3 summarizes the sequence analysis of the 12A11 VH and VL regions.

Table 3. Summary of 12A11 V region sequence

Chain	VL	VH
Mouse Subgroup	II	Ib
Human Subgroup	II	II
Rare amino acids in mouse vk (% frequency)	I85 (3.6%)	I11 (1.7%) T3 (1.0%), L12 (1.7%), S41 (2.8%), D83 (1.8%), A85 (1.8%)
Chothia canonical class	L1: class 4[16f] L2: class 1[7] L3: class 1[9]	H1: class 3 [7] H2: class 1[16] H3 <sup>1</sup>
Closest mouse MAb solved structure	1KTR <sup>2</sup>	1ETZ <sup>3</sup> (2.6Å) and 1JRH <sup>4</sup>
Homology with Modeling template	94%	83% and 86%
Human Framework seq	K64 (BAC01733)	M72 (AAA69734)

	(87% FR, 67% overall)	(61% FR, 45% overall)
Donor notes	Hu k LC subgroup II CDRs from same canonical Structural group as 12A11	HU HC subgroup III CDRs from same canonical structural group as 12A11
Backmutation Notes	none	A24F, F29L: H1  R71K: Canonical, H2 V37I: Packing  T28S, V48L, F67L, N73T, L78V: Vernier
Germline ref for Hu Fr	A19 VL Vk2-28 mRNA: X63397.1 (GI:33774)	AAA69731.1 (GI:567123)

<sup>1</sup> No canonical class but might form a kinked base according to the rules of Shirai *et al.* (1999) *FEBS Lett.* 455:188-197.

<sup>2</sup> Kaufmann *et al.* (2002) *J Mol Biol.* 318:135-147.

5 <sup>3</sup> Guddat *et al.* (2000) *J Mol Biol.* 302:853-872.

<sup>4</sup> Sogabe *et al.* (1997) *J Mol Biol.* 273:882-897.

Germline sequences are set forth that can be used in selecting amino acid substitutions.

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In an exemplary embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention contains (i) a light chain comprising a variable domain comprising murine 12A11 VL CDRs and a human acceptor framework, the framework having zero, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine or more residues substituted with the corresponding 12A11 residue and (ii) a heavy chain comprising 12A11 VH CDRs and a human acceptor framework, the framework having at least one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine or more residues substituted with the corresponding 12A11 residue, and, optionally, at least one, preferably two or three residues substituted with a corresponding human germline residue.

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In another embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and further has at least one (preferably two, three, four or all) of the following activities: (1) binds soluble A $\beta$ ; (2) binds aggregated A $\beta$ 1-42 (*e.g.*, as determined by ELISA); (3) captures soluble A $\beta$ ; (4) binds A $\beta$  in plaques (*e.g.*, staining of AD and/or PDAPP plaques); (5) binds A $\beta$  with an affinity no less than two to three fold lower than chimeric 12A11 (*e.g.*, 12A11 having murine

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variable region sequences and human constant region sequences); (6) mediates phagocytosis of A $\beta$  (*e.g.*, in an *ex vivo* phagocytosis assay, as described herein); and (7) crosses the blood-brain barrier (*e.g.*, demonstrates short-term brain localization, for example, in a PDAPP animal model, as described herein).

5 In another embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, such that it binds A $\beta$  in a manner or with an affinity sufficient to elicit at least one of the following *in vivo* effects: (1) reduce A $\beta$  plaque burden; (2) prevent plaque formation; (3) reduce levels of soluble A $\beta$  (*e.g.*, soluble oligomeric A $\beta$ ); (4) reduce the neuritic pathology associated with an 10 amyloidogenic disorder; (5) lessen or ameliorate at least one physiological symptom associated with an amyloidogenic disorder; and/or (6) improve cognitive function (*e.g.*, rapid improvement).

15 In another embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and specifically binds to an epitope comprising residues 3-7 of A $\beta$ .

20 In yet another embodiment, a humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, such that it binds to an N-terminal epitope within A $\beta$  (*e.g.*, binds to an epitope within amino acids 3-7 of A $\beta$ ), and is capable of reducing (1) A $\beta$  peptide levels; (2) A $\beta$  plaque burden; and (3) the neuritic burden or neuritic dystrophy associated with an amyloidogenic disorder.

In one embodiment, a humanized antibody of the invention includes the 12A11v.1 VH region linked to an IgG1 constant region, as shown below in SEQ ID NO:88).

25 QVQLVESGGVVQPGRLSRLSCAFSGFSLSTGMSVGWIRQAPGKGLEWLAHI  
WWDDDKYYNPSLKSRLTISKDTSKNTVYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCARRTTAD  
YFAYWGQGTTVTVSSASTKGPSVFPLAPSSKSTSGGTAALGCLVKDYFPEPVTV  
SWNSGALTSGVHTFPAPVLQSSGLYSLSSVVTVPSSLGTQTYICNVNHKPSNTKV  
DKKVEPKSCDKTHCCPPCPAPELLGGPSVFLFPPKPKDTLMISRTPEVTCVVVDV  
30 SHEDPEVKFNWYVDGVEVHNAKTKPREEQYNSTYRVVSVLTVLHQDWLNGKE  
YKCKVSNKALPAPIEKTISKAKGQPREPVYTLPPSREEMTKNQVSLTCLVKGF  
YPSDIAVEWESNGQPENNYKTPPVLDSDGSFFLYSKLTVDKSRWQQGVNFSCS  
VMHEALHNHYTQKSLSLSPG(K)

In another embodiment, a humanized antibody of the invention includes the 12A11v.1 VH region linked to an IgG4 constant region, as shown below in SEQ ID NO:89.

5    QVQLVESGGVVQPGRLRLSCAFSGFSLSTGMSVGWIRQAPGKGLEWLAHI  
WWDDDKYYNPSLKSRLTISKDTSKNTVYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCARRTTAD  
YFAYWGQGTTVTVSSASTKGPSVFPLAPCSRSTSESTAALGCLVKDYFPEPVTVS  
WNNSGALTSGVHTFPAVLQSSGLYSLSSVVTVPSSSLGTKYTCNVVDHKPSNTKV  
DKRVESKYGPPCPCCPAPEFLGGPSVFLFPPKPKDTLMISRTPEVTCVVVDVSQE  
10   DPEVQFNWYVDGVEVHNAKTKPREEQFNSTYRVSVLTVLHQDWLNGKEYKC  
KVSNKGLPSSIEKTISKAKGQPREPQVYTLPPSQEEMTKNQVSLTCLVKGFYPSD  
IAVEWESNGQPENNYKTPVLDSDGSFFLYSRLTVDKSRWQEGNVFSCVMH  
EALHNHYTQKSLSLSLG(K)

15   In yet another embodiment, a humanized antibody of the invention includes a 12A11v3.1 VH region linked to an IgG1 or an IgG4 constant region, as shown below in SEQ ID NOs:90 and 91, respectively.

QVQLVESGGVVQPGRLRLSCAFSGFTLSTGMSVGWIRQAPGKGLEWLAHI  
20   WWDDDKYYNPSLKSRTISKDNSKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCARRTTAD  
YFAYWGQGTTVTVSSASTKGPSVFPLAPSSKSTSGGTAALGCLVKDYFPEPVTV  
SWNSGALTSGVHTFPAVLQSSGLYSLSSVVTVPSSSLGTQTYICNVNHKPSNTKV  
DKKVEPKSCDKTHCPPCPAPELLGGPSVFLFPPKPKDTLMISRTPEVTCVVVDV  
SHEDPEVKFNWYVDGVEVHNAKTKPREEQYNSTYRVSVLTVLHQDWLNGKE  
25   YKCKVSNKALPAPIEKTIISKAKGQPREPQVYTLPPSREEMTKNQVSLTCLVKGF  
YPSDIAVEWESNGQPENNYKTPVLDSDGSFFLYSKLTVDKSRWQQGNVFSCS  
VMHEALHNHYTQKSLSLSPG(K)

QVQLVESGGVVQPGRLRLSCAFSGFTLSTGMSVGWIRQAPGKGLEWLAHI  
30   WWDDDKYYNPSLKSRTISKDNSKNTLYLQMNSLRAEDTAVYYCARRTTAD  
YFAYWGQGTTVTVSSQVQLVESGGVVQPGRLRLSCAFSGFSLSTGMSVGW  
IRQAPGKGLEWLAHIWWDDDKYYNPSLKSRLTISKDTSKNTVYLQMNSLRAED  
TAVYYCARRTTADYFAYWGQGTTVTVSSASTKGPSVFPLAPCSRSTSESTAAL

GCLVKDYFPEPVTVSWNSGALTSGVHTFPALQSSGLYSLSSVVTVPSSSLGTKT  
YTCNVDHKPSNTKVDKRVESKYGPPCPCPAPEFLGGPSVFLFPPKPKDTLMISR  
TPEVTCVVVDVSQEDPEVQFNWYVDGVEVHNAKTKPREEQFNSTYRVVSVLT  
VLHQDWLNGKEYKCKVSNKGLPSSIEKTISKAKGQPREPQVYTLPPSQEEMTKN  
5 QVSLTCLVKGFYPSDIAVEWESNGQPENNYKTPPVLDSDGSFFLYSRLTVDKS  
RWQEGNVFSCSVMHEALHNHYTQKSLSLSLG(K)

In some embodiments, the terminal lysine, as shown in parenthesis, is optionally expressed.

10 f. Production of Humanized 10D5 and 15C11 Antibodies

In further exemplary examples of the present invention, humanized 10D5 and 15C11 antibodies are featured for use in the therapeutic and/or diagnostic methodologies described herein. 10D5 and 15C11 are specific for the N-terminus and central region of A $\beta$ , respectively

15 The cloning and sequencing of cDNA encoding the antibody heavy and light chain variable regions of 10D5 and 15C11 are described in Examples IV and XVI, respectively.

Identification of suitable human acceptor antibody sequences for humanization of murine 10D5 and 15C11 can be performed as described in subsection c, 20 *supra*. Briefly, sequence analysis can be performed to identify the human light chains to which the murine light chain exhibits the greatest sequence identity. Light and heavy human framework regions are preferably derived from human antibodies of these subtypes, or from consensus sequences of such subtypes.

Residues are next selected for substitution, as follows. When an amino acid differs between a 10D5 and 15C11 variable framework region and an equivalent human variable framework region, the human framework amino acid should usually be substituted by the equivalent mouse amino acid if it is reasonably expected that the amino acid:

- (1) noncovalently binds antigen directly,
- 30 (2) is adjacent to a CDR region, is part of a CDR region under the alternative definition proposed by Chothia *et al.*, *supra*, or otherwise interacts with a CDR region (*e.g.*, is within about 3A of a CDR region), or
- (3) participates in the VL-VH interface.

Computer modeling of the 10D5 and 15C11 antibody heavy and light chain variable regions, and humanization of the 110D5 and 15C11 can be performed in the same manner as in subsection c, *supra*. Briefly, a three-dimensional model is generated based on the closest solved murine antibody structures for the heavy and light 5 chains. The model is further refined by a series of energy minimization steps to relieve unfavorable atomic contacts and optimize electrostatic and van der Waals interactions.

Computer modeling allows for the identification of CDR-interacting residues. The computer model of the structure of 10D5 or 15C11 can in turn serve as a starting point for predicting the three-dimensional structure of an antibody containing 10 the 10D5 or 15C11 complementarity determining regions substituted in human framework structures. Additional models can be constructed representing the structure as further amino acid substitutions are introduced.

In general, substitution of one, most or all of the amino acids fulfilling the above criteria is desirable. Accordingly, the humanized antibodies of the present 15 invention will often contain a substitution of a human light chain framework residue with a corresponding 10D5 or 15C11 residue in at least 1, 2, 3 or more of the chosen positions. The humanized antibodies also often contain a substitution of a human heavy chain framework residue with a corresponding 10D5 or 15C11 residue in at least 1, 2, 3 or more of the chosen positions.

20 Occasionally ambiguities about whether a particular amino acid meets the above criteria can be addressed as described in subsection c, *supra*.

Other candidates for substitution are acceptor human framework amino acids that are rare for a human immunoglobulin at that position. These amino acids can be substituted with amino acids from the equivalent position of more typical human 25 immunoglobulins. Alternatively, amino acids from equivalent positions in the mouse 10D5 or 15C11 can be introduced into the human framework regions when such amino acids are typical of human immunoglobulin at the equivalent positions.

Other candidates for substitution are non-germline residues occurring in a framework region. By performing a computer comparison of 10D5 or 15C11 with 30 known germline sequences, germline sequences with the greatest degree of sequence identity to the heavy or light chain can be identified. Alignment of the framework region and the germline sequence will reveal which residues may be selected for substitution with corresponding germline residues. Residues not matching between a

selected light chain acceptor framework and one of these germline sequences could be selected for substitution with the corresponding germline residue.

Mouse and human structures that can be used for computer modeling of 10D5 or 15C11 antibody, as well as germline sequences that can be used in selecting 5 amino acid substitutions, can be obtained use methods described in subsection c, *supra*. Methods for identifying the mouse and human subgroup and closely related homologs of murine 10D5 or 15C11 antibody are also described *supra*. Rare mouse residues may be identified by comparing the donor VL and/or VH sequences with the sequences of other members of the subgroup to which the donor VL and/or VH sequences belong 10 (according to Kabat) and identifying the residue positions which differ from the consensus. These donor specific differences may point to somatic mutations which enhance activity. Rare residues close to the binding site may possibly contact the antigen, making it desirable to retain the mouse residue. However, if the rare mouse residue is not important for binding, use of the corresponding acceptor residue is 15 preferred as the mouse residue may create immunogenic neoepitopes in the humanized antibody. In the situation where a rare residue in the donor sequence is actually a common residue in the corresponding acceptor sequence, the preferred residue is clearly the acceptor residue.

In preferred embodiments, a humanized antibody of the present invention 20 contains (i) a light chain comprising a variable domain comprising murine 10D5 or 15C11 VL CDRs and a human acceptor framework, the framework having at least one, residue substituted with the corresponding 10D5 or 15C11 residue and (ii) a heavy chain comprising 10D5 or 15C11 VH CDRs and a human acceptor framework, the framework having at least one, preferably two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, or nine 25 residues substituted with the corresponding 10D5 or 15C11 residue, and, optionally, at least one, preferably two or three residues substituted with a corresponding human germline residue.

In other preferred embodiments, a 10D5 or 15C11 humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and further has at least 30 one (preferably two, three, four or all) of the following activities: (1) binds soluble A $\beta$ ; (2) binds aggregated A $\beta$ 1-42 (*e.g.*, as determined by ELISA); (3) binds A $\beta$  in plaques (*e.g.*, staining of AD and/or PDAPP plaques); (4) binds A $\beta$  with two- to three- fold higher binding affinity as compared to chimeric 10D5 or 15C11 (*e.g.*, 10D5 or 15C11

having murine variable region sequences and human constant region sequences); (5) mediates phagocytosis of A $\beta$  (*e.g.*, in an *ex vivo* phagocytosis assay, as described herein); and (6) crosses the blood-brain barrier (*e.g.*, demonstrates short-term brain localization, for example, in a PDAPP animal model, as described herein).

- 5 In another preferred embodiment, a 10D5 or 15C11 humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and further binds A $\beta$  in a manner or with an affinity sufficient to elicit at least one of the following *in vivo* effects: (1) reduce A $\beta$  plaque burden; (2) prevent plaque formation; (3) reduce levels of soluble A $\beta$ ; (4) reduce the neuritic pathology associated with an amyloidogenic disorder;
- 10 (5) lessen or ameliorate at least one physiological symptom associated with an amyloidogenic disorder; and/or (6) improve cognitive function.

In another preferred embodiment, a 10D5 humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and specifically binds to an epitope comprising residues 3-6 of A $\beta$ . In another preferred embodiment, a 15C11 humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and specifically binds to an epitope comprising residues 19-22 of A $\beta$ .

15 In another preferred embodiment, a 10D5 humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and further binds to an N-terminal epitope within A $\beta$  (*e.g.*, binds to an epitope within amino acids 3-6 of A $\beta$ ), and is capable of reducing (1) A $\beta$  peptide levels; (2) A $\beta$  plaque burden; and (3) the neuritic burden or neuritic dystrophy associated with an amyloidogenic disorder.

20 In another preferred embodiment, a 15C11 humanized antibody of the present invention has structural features, as described herein, and further binds to a central epitope within A $\beta$  (*e.g.*, binds to an epitope within amino acids 19-22 of A $\beta$ ), and is capable of reducing (1) A $\beta$  peptide levels; (2) A $\beta$  plaque burden; and (3) the neuritic burden or neuritic dystrophy associated with an amyloidogenic disorder.

g. Exemplary Humanized Antibodies

The present invention features immunological reagents and improved methods for treating A $\beta$ -related diseases or disorders, in particular, for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in patients having or at risk for an A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder. In particular, the reagents and methods are useful in treating patients having or

at risk for AD or other amyloidogenic diseases. The invention is based, at least in part, on the identification and characterization of various monoclonal immunoglobulins, having distinctive biological activities, as determined in particular *in vitro* and/or *in vivo* activity assays. In exemplary embodiments, antibodies which preferentially bind (or

5 have an increased affinity for) soluble, oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  are selected as reagents for use in the therapeutic methods of the invention. In other exemplary embodiments, antibodies demonstrating efficacy in an appropriate animal model for A $\beta$ -related cognitive deficit are selected as reagents for use in the therapeutic methods of the invention. Antibodies may further have at least one of the following

10 activities: effective at binding beta amyloid protein (A $\beta$ ) (*e.g.*, binding soluble and/or aggregated A $\beta$ ), mediating phagocytosis (*e.g.*, of aggregated A $\beta$ ), reducing plaque burden, reducing neuritic dystrophy and/or improving cognition (*e.g.*, in a subject).

In preferred aspects, the invention features compositions including immunological reagents, in particular A $\beta$  antibodies. In certain embodiments, the

15 compositions include an antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within A $\beta$  and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ . In other embodiments, the compositions include an antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within A $\beta$  and

20 preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ , provided that the antibody is not a 266 antibody. In other embodiments, the compositions include an antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within A $\beta$  and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ , provided that the antibody is not a 266

25 antibody or a 3D6 antibody. In other embodiments, the compositions include an antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within A $\beta$  and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ , wherein the antibody is capable of effecting the improvement in cognition in less than six hours or less than three hours or

30 less than 1 hour (*i.e.*, effects the improvement in cognition in an extremely rapid manner). In other embodiments, the compositions include an antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 1-5, 2-7, 3-6 or 3-7 of A $\beta$  or within 16-23, 16-24, 19-22 or

19-23 of A $\beta$ , and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ . In certain embodiments, the antibody binds to the same epitope as the 3D6, 6C6, 2H3, 10D5, 12A11, 2B1, 1C2 or 15C11 antibodies described herein or any other antibody described herein that is capable of effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject. Other antibodies of interest are described, for example, in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/789,273, and International Patent Application No. WO01/62801A2.

In certain embodiments, the compositions include an A $\beta$  antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 1-10 of A $\beta$  and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ . In other embodiments, the compositions include an A $\beta$  antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 1-10 of A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay. In additional embodiments, the compositions include an A $\beta$  antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 1-10 of A $\beta$ , preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay. In certain embodiments, the A $\beta$  antibody binds to an epitope within residues 3-7 of A $\beta$ . In other embodiments, the immunological reagent is selected from the group consisting of a 3D6 immunological reagent, a 6C6 immunological reagent, a 10D5 immunological reagent, and a 12A11 immunological reagent. In other embodiments, the A $\beta$  antibody is selected from the group consisting of a 3D6 antibody, a 6C6 antibody, a 10D5 antibody, and a 12A11 antibody. In other embodiments, the A $\beta$  antibody is not a 3D6 antibody.

In one embodiment, the antibody may be a 3D6 antibody or variant thereof, or a 10D5 antibody or variant thereof, both of which are described in U.S. Patent Publication No. 20030165496A1, U.S. Patent Publication No. 20040087777A1, International Patent Publication No. WO02/46237A3. Description of 3D6 and 10D5 can also be found, for example, in International Patent Publication No. WO02/088306A2 and International Patent Publication No. WO02/088307A2. In yet another embodiment,

the antibody may be a 12A11 antibody or a variant thereof, as described in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/858,855 and International Patent Application No. PCT/US04/17514.

In certain embodiments, the compositions include an A $\beta$  antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$  and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ . In other embodiments, the compositions include an A $\beta$  antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay. In additional embodiments, the compositions include an A $\beta$  antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$ , preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay. In certain embodiments, the A $\beta$  antibody binds to an epitope within residues 16-24 of A $\beta$ . In other embodiments, the immunological reagent is selected from the group consisting of a 2B1 immunological reagent, a 1C2 immunological reagent, a 15C11 immunological reagent, and a 9G8 immunological reagent. In other embodiments, the A $\beta$  antibody is selected from the group consisting of a 2B1 antibody, a 1C2 antibody, a 15C11 antibody and a 9G8 antibody. In other embodiments, the A $\beta$  antibody is not a 266 antibody. In certain embodiments, the antibody may be a 15C11 or 9G8 antibody or variants thereof, as described in a U.S. Patent Application corresponding to Attorney Docket No. ELN-055-1, filed on even date herewith, and entitled "Humanized Antibodies that Recognize Beta Amyloid Peptide."

In yet other embodiments, the A $\beta$  antibody neutralizes one or more neuroactive A $\beta$  species. In other embodiments, the A $\beta$  antibody clears plaques. In certain embodiments, the compositions of the invention are formulated for single dose administration. In other embodiments, the compositions of the invention are formulated for multiple dose administration.

The invention also features compositions including combinations of any of the foregoing immunological reagents, as well as methods for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject by administering an effective amount of a

combination of such immunological reagents. In certain embodiments, a combination of antibodies are administered (e.g., a composition including a combination of antibodies or compositions including each antibody formulated for separate administration), wherein each antibody is specific for an epitope within A $\beta$ , and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ . In other embodiments, each antibody is capable of effecting improvement in cognition in a subject in less than six hours, less than three hours, or less than 1 hour (*i.e.*, effects the improvement in cognition in an extremely rapid manner). Other embodiments feature administration of effective amounts of an antibody that is specific for an N-terminal epitope of A $\beta$  and an antibody that is specific for a central epitope of A $\beta$ , wherein each antibody is capable of effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject. Yet other embodiments feature administration of effective amounts of an antibody specific for an epitope within residues 1-10, 1-5, 2-7, 3-6 or 3-7 of A $\beta$  and an antibody specific for an epitope within 16-23, 16-24, 19-22 or 19-23 of A $\beta$ . Other embodiments of the invention feature combinations of immunological reagents selected from the group consisting of a 3D6 immunological reagent, a 6C6 immunological reagent, a 10D5 immunological reagent, a 12A11 immunological reagent, a 2B1 immunological reagent, a 1C2 immunological reagent, a 15C11 immunological reagent, a 9G8 immunological reagent and a 266 immunological reagent. Yet other embodiments feature combinations of antibodies, wherein each antibody binds to the same epitope as the 3D6, 6C6, 2H3, 10D5, 12A11, 2B1, 1C2, 15C11 or 266 antibody. In certain embodiments, a combination of antibodies are administered in which each antibody is selected from the group consisting of a 3D6 antibody, a 6C6 antibody, a 10D5 antibody, a 12A11 antibody, a 2B1 antibody, a 1C2 antibody, a 15C11 antibody, a 9G8 antibody and a 266 antibody.

The invention is further based on the determination and structural characterization of the primary and secondary structure of the variable light and heavy chains of the selected immunoglobulins and the identification of residues important for activity and immunogenicity.

Immunoglobulins are featured which include a variable light and/or variable heavy chain of the monoclonal immunoglobulins described herein. Preferred immunoglobulins, *e.g.*, therapeutic immunoglobulins, are featured which include a humanized variable light and/or humanized variable heavy chain. Preferred variable light and/or variable heavy chains include a complementarity determining region (CDR)

from a select immunoglobulin (*e.g.*, donor immunoglobulin) and variable framework regions from or substantially from a human acceptor immunoglobulin. The phrase “substantially from a human acceptor immunoglobulin” means that the majority or key framework residues are from the human acceptor sequence, allowing however, for 5 substitution of residues at certain positions with residues selected to improve activity of the humanized immunoglobulin (*e.g.*, alter activity such that it more closely mimics the activity of the donor immunoglobulin) or selected to decrease the immunogenicity of the humanized immunoglobulin.

In one embodiment, the invention features a humanized immunoglobulin 10 light or heavy chain that includes murine monoclonal antibody variable region complementarity determining regions (CDRs) (*i.e.*, includes one, two or three CDRs from the light chain variable region sequence set forth as SEQ ID NO:2, 14, 18, 28 or 57 and/or includes one, two or three CDRs from the heavy chain variable region sequence set forth as SEQ ID NO:4, 16, 20, 30 or 59, respectively), and includes a variable 15 framework region from a human acceptor immunoglobulin light or heavy chain sequence, optionally having at least one residue of the framework residue backmutated to a corresponding murine residue, wherein said backmutation does not substantially affect the ability of the chain to direct A $\beta$  binding.

In one embodiment, the invention features a humanized immunoglobulin 20 light or heavy chain that includes murine monoclonal antibody variable region complementarity determining regions (CDRs) (*i.e.*, includes one, two or three CDRs from the light chain variable region sequence set forth as SEQ ID NO:2, 14, 18, 28 or 57 and/or includes one, two or three CDRs from the heavy chain variable region sequence set forth as SEQ ID NO:4, 16, 20, 30 or 59, respectively), and includes a variable 25 framework region substantially from a human acceptor immunoglobulin light or heavy chain sequence, optionally having at least one residue of the framework residue backmutated to a corresponding murine residue, wherein said backmutation does not substantially affect the ability of the chain to direct A $\beta$  binding.

In another embodiment, the invention features a humanized 30 immunoglobulin light or heavy chain that includes murine monoclonal antibody variable region complementarity determining regions (CDRs) (*e.g.*, includes one, two or three CDRs from the light chain variable region sequence set forth as SEQ ID NO:2, 14, 18, 28 or 57 and/or includes one, two or three CDRs from the heavy chain variable region

sequence set forth as SEQ ID NO:4, 16, 20, 30 or 59, respectively), and includes a variable framework region substantially from a human acceptor immunoglobulin light or heavy chain sequence, optionally having at least one framework residue substituted with the corresponding amino acid residue from the murine light or heavy chain variable

- 5 region sequence, where the framework residue is selected from the group consisting of (a) a residue that non-covalently binds antigen directly; (b) a residue adjacent to a CDR; (c) a CDR-interacting residue (e.g., identified by modeling the light or heavy chain on the solved structure of a homologous known immunoglobulin chain); and (d) a residue participating in the VL-VH interface.

10 In another embodiment, the invention features a humanized immunoglobulin light or heavy chain that includes murine monoclonal antibody variable region CDRs and variable framework regions from a human acceptor immunoglobulin light or heavy chain sequence, optionally having at least one framework residue substituted with the corresponding amino acid residue from the murine light or heavy  
15 chain variable region sequence, where the framework residue is a residue capable of affecting light chain variable region conformation or function as identified by analysis of a three-dimensional model of the variable region, for example a residue capable of interacting with antigen, a residue proximal to the antigen binding site, a residue capable of interacting with a CDR, a residue adjacent to a CDR, a residue within 6 Å of a CDR  
20 residue, a canonical residue, a vernier zone residue, an interchain packing residue, a rare residue, or a glycosylation site residue on the surface of the structural model.

25 In another embodiment, the invention features, in addition to the substitutions described above, a substitution of at least one rare human framework residue. For example, a rare residue can be substituted with an amino acid residue which is common for human variable chain sequences at that position. Alternatively, a rare residue can be substituted with a corresponding amino acid residue from a homologous germline variable chain sequence.

30 In other embodiments, the methods of the invention feature polypeptides comprising the complementarity determining regions (CDRs) of a monoclonal antibody featured herein, including polynucleotide reagents, vectors and host cells suitable encoding said polypeptides.

In another embodiment, the invention features pharmaceutical compositions that include a humanized immunoglobulin as described herein and a

pharmaceutical carrier. Also featured are isolated nucleic acid molecules, vectors and host cells for producing the immunoglobulins or immunoglobulin fragments or chains described herein, as well as methods for producing said immunoglobulins, immunoglobulin fragments or immunoglobulin chains.

5       The present invention further features a method for identifying residues amenable to substitution when producing a humanized immunoglobulins of the invention. For example, a method for identifying variable framework region residues amenable to substitution involves modeling the three-dimensional structure of a selected murine monoclonal antibody variable region on a solved homologous immunoglobulin  
10      structure and analyzing said model for residues capable of affecting immunoglobulin variable region conformation or function, such that residues amenable to substitution are identified. The invention further features use of the variable region sequence set forth as SEQ ID NO:2, 14, 18, 28 or 37 or SEQ ID NO:4, 16, 20, 30 or 59, or any portion thereof, in producing a three-dimensional image of a immunoglobulin, immunoglobulin  
15      chain, or domain thereof.

The activities of the antibodies described above can be determined utilizing any one of a variety of assays described herein or in the art (*e.g.*, binding assays, phagocytosis assays, etc.). Activities can be assayed either *in vivo* (*e.g.*, using labeled assay components and/or imaging techniques) or *in vitro* (*e.g.*, using samples or specimens derived from a subject). Activities can be assayed either directly or indirectly. In certain preferred embodiments, neurological endpoints (*e.g.*, amyloid burden, neuritic burden, etc) are assayed. Such endpoints can be assayed in living subjects (*e.g.*, in animal models of Alzheimer's disease or in human subjects, for example, undergoing immunotherapy) using non-invasive detection methodologies. Alternatively, such endpoints can be assayed in subjects post mortem. Assaying such endpoints in animal models and/or in human subjects post mortem is useful in assessing the effectiveness of various agents (*e.g.*, humanized antibodies) to be utilized in similar immunotherapeutic applications. In other preferred embodiments, behavioral or  
20      neurological parameters can be assessed as indicators of the above neuropathological  
25      activities or endpoints.  
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### 3. Production of Variable Regions

Having conceptually selected the CDR and framework components of humanized immunoglobulins, a variety of methods are available for producing such immunoglobulins. In general, one or more of the murine complementarity determining regions (CDR) of the heavy and/or light chain of the antibody can be humanized, for example, placed in the context of one or more human framework regions, using primer-based polymerase chain reaction (PCR). Briefly, primers are designed which are capable of annealing to target murine CDR region(s) which also contain sequence which overlaps and can anneal with a human framework region. Accordingly, under appropriate conditions, the primers can amplify a murine CDR from a murine antibody template nucleic acid and add to the amplified template a portion of a human framework sequence. Similarly, primers can be designed which are capable of annealing to a target human framework region(s) where a PCR reaction using these primers results in an amplified human framework region(s). When each amplification product is then denatured, combined, and annealed to the other product, the murine CDR region, having overlapping human framework sequence with the amplified human framework sequence, can be genetically linked. Accordingly, in one or more such reactions, one or more murine CDR regions can be genetically linked to intervening human framework regions.

In some embodiments, the primers may also comprise desirable restriction enzyme recognition sequences to facilitate the genetic engineering of the resultant PCR amplified sequences into a larger genetic segment, for example, a variable light or heavy chain segment, heavy chain, or vector. In addition, the primers used to amplify either the murine CDR regions or human framework regions may have desirable mismatches such that a different codon is introduced into the murine CDR or human framework region. Typical mismatches introduce alterations in the human framework regions that preserve or improve the structural orientation of the murine CDR and thus its binding affinity, as described herein.

It should be understood that the foregoing approach can be used to introduce one, two, or all three murine CDR regions into the context of intervening human framework regions. Methods for amplifying and linking different sequences using primer-based PCR are described in, for example, Sambrook, Fritsch and Maniatis, *Molecular Cloning: Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press* (1989); *DNA Cloning*, Vols. 1 and 2, (D.N.

Glover, Ed. 1985); *PCR Handbook Current Protocols in Nucleic Acid Chemistry*, Beaucage, Ed. John Wiley & Sons (1999) (Editor); *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, eds. Ausubel *et al.*, John Wiley & Sons (1992).

Because of the degeneracy of the code, a variety of nucleic acid  
5 sequences will encode each immunoglobulin amino acid sequence. The desired nucleic acid sequences can be produced by *de novo* solid-phase DNA synthesis or by PCR mutagenesis of an earlier prepared variant of the desired polynucleotide.  
Oligonucleotide-mediated mutagenesis is a preferred method for preparing substitution, deletion and insertion variants of target polypeptide DNA. See Adelman *et al.*, DNA  
10 2:183 (1983). Briefly, the target polypeptide DNA is altered by hybridizing an oligonucleotide encoding the desired mutation to a single-stranded DNA template. After hybridization, a DNA polymerase is used to synthesize an entire second complementary strand of the template that incorporates the oligonucleotide primer, and encodes the selected alteration in the target polypeptide DNA.

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#### 4. Selection of Constant Regions

The variable segments of antibodies produced as described *supra* (e.g., the heavy and light chain variable regions of chimeric or humanized antibodies) are typically linked to at least a portion of an immunoglobulin constant region (Fc region),  
20 typically that of a human immunoglobulin. Human constant region DNA sequences can be isolated in accordance with well known procedures from a variety of human cells, but preferably immortalized B cells (see Kabat *et al.*, *supra*, and Liu *et al.*, W087/02671) (each of which is incorporated by reference in its entirety for all purposes). Ordinarily, the antibody will contain both light chain and heavy chain constant regions. The heavy  
25 chain constant region usually includes CH1, hinge, CH2, CH3, and CH4 regions. The antibodies described herein include antibodies having all types of constant regions, including IgM, IgG, IgD, IgA and IgE, and any isotype, including IgG1, IgG2, IgG3 and IgG4. When it is desired that the antibody (e.g., humanized antibody) exhibit cytotoxic activity, the constant domain is usually a complement fixing constant domain and the  
30 class is typically IgG1. Human isotypes IgG1 and IgG4 are exemplary. Light chain constant regions can be lambda or kappa. The humanized antibody may comprise sequences from more than one class or isotype. Antibodies can be expressed as tetramers containing two light and two heavy chains, as separate heavy chains, light

chains, as Fab, Fab' F(ab')2, and Fv, or as single chain antibodies in which heavy and light chain variable domains are linked through a spacer.

In some embodiments, humanized antibodies described herein are modified to enhance their antigen dependent cellular cytotoxicity (ADCC) activity using 5 techniques, such as, for example, those described in U.S. Patent No. 6,946,292, the entire contents of which are incorporated by reference herein. ADCC activity of antibodies is generally thought to require the binding of the Fc region of an antibody to an antibody receptor existing on the surface of an effector cell, such as, for example, a killer cell, a natural killer cell and an activated macrophage. By altering fucosylation 10 (e.g., reducing or eliminating) of the carbohydrate structure of a humanized antibody (*i.e.*, in the Fc region), the ADCC activity of the antibody can be enhanced *in vitro* by, for example, 10-fold, or 20-fold, or 30-fold, or 40-fold, or 50-fold, or 100-fold, relative to an unmodified humanized antibody. Because of increased ADCC activity, such modified antibodies can be used at lower dosages than their unmodified counterparts and 15 generally have fewer or reduced side effects in patients.

In some embodiments, aglycosyl versions of humanized antibodies are featured, wherein such antibodies include an aglycosylated constant region.

Oligosaccharide at Asn-297 is a characteristic feature of normal human IgG antibodies (See, Kabat et al., 1987, Sequence of Proteins of Immunological Interest, U.S.

20 Department of Health Human Services Publication). Each of the two heavy chains in IgG molecules have a single branched chain carbohydrate group which is linked to the amide group of the asparagine residue, for example, at position 297. Substitution of, for example, asparagine with alanine prevents the glycosylation of the antibody, as described in, for example, U.S. Patent No. 6,706,265, incorporated by reference herein. 25 In a particular embodiment, the amino acid residue Asn at position 297 is mutated to alanine.

##### 5. Expression of Recombinant Antibodies

Chimeric and humanized antibodies are typically produced by 30 recombinant expression. Nucleic acids encoding light and heavy chain variable regions, optionally linked to constant regions, are inserted into expression vectors. The light and heavy chains can be cloned in the same or different expression vectors. The DNA segments encoding immunoglobulin chains are operably linked to control sequences in

the expression vector(s) that ensure the expression of immunoglobulin polypeptides. Expression control sequences include, but are not limited to, promoters (*e.g.*, naturally-associated or heterologous promoters), signal sequences, enhancer elements, and transcription termination sequences. Preferably, the expression control sequences are eukaryotic promoter systems in vectors capable of transforming or transfecting eukaryotic host cells (*e.g.*, COS or CHO cells). Once the vector has been incorporated into the appropriate host, the host is maintained under conditions suitable for high level expression of the nucleotide sequences, and the collection and purification of the crossreacting antibodies.

These expression vectors are typically replicable in the host organisms either as episomes or as an integral part of the host chromosomal DNA. Commonly, expression vectors contain selection markers (*e.g.*, ampicillin-resistance, hygromycin-resistance, tetracycline resistance, kanamycin resistance or neomycin resistance) to permit detection of those cells transformed with the desired DNA sequences (see, *e.g.*, Itakura *et al.*, US Patent 4,704,362).

*E. coli* is one prokaryotic host particularly useful for cloning the polynucleotides (*e.g.*, DNA sequences) of the present invention. Other microbial hosts suitable for use include bacilli, such as *Bacillus subtilis*, and other enterobacteriaceae, such as *Salmonella*, *Serratia*, and various *Pseudomonas* species. In these prokaryotic hosts, one can also make expression vectors, which will typically contain expression control sequences compatible with the host cell (*e.g.*, an origin of replication). In addition, any number of a variety of well-known promoters will be present, such as the lactose promoter system, a tryptophan (trp) promoter system, a beta-lactamase promoter system, or a promoter system from phage lambda. The promoters will typically control expression, optionally with an operator sequence, and have ribosome binding site sequences and the like, for initiating and completing transcription and translation.

Other microbes, such as yeast, are also useful for expression. *Saccharomyces* is a preferred yeast host, with suitable vectors having expression control sequences (*e.g.*, promoters), an origin of replication, termination sequences and the like as desired. Typical promoters include 3-phosphoglycerate kinase and other glycolytic enzymes. Inducible yeast promoters include, among others, promoters from alcohol dehydrogenase, isocytchrome C, and enzymes responsible for maltose and galactose utilization.

In addition to microorganisms, mammalian tissue cell culture may also be used to express and produce the polypeptides of the present invention (e.g., polynucleotides encoding immunoglobulins or fragments thereof). See Winnacker, From Genes to Clones, VCH Publishers, N.Y., N.Y. (1987). Eukaryotic cells are 5 actually preferred, because a number of suitable host cell lines capable of secreting heterologous proteins (e.g., intact immunoglobulins) have been developed in the art, and include CHO cell lines, various Cos cell lines, HeLa cells, preferably, myeloma cell lines, or transformed B-cells or hybridomas. Preferably, the cells are nonhuman. Expression vectors for these cells can include expression control sequences, such as an 10 origin of replication, a promoter, and an enhancer (Queen *et al.*, *Immunol. Rev.* 89:49 (1986)), and necessary processing information sites, such as ribosome binding sites, RNA splice sites, polyadenylation sites, and transcriptional terminator sequences. Preferred expression control sequences are promoters derived from immunoglobulin genes, SV40, adenovirus, bovine papilloma virus, cytomegalovirus and the like. See Co 15 *et al.*, *J. Immunol.* 148:1149 (1992).

Alternatively, antibody-coding sequences can be incorporated in transgenes for introduction into the genome of a transgenic animal and subsequent expression in the milk of the transgenic animal (see, e.g., Deboer *et al.*, US 5,741,957, Rosen, US 5,304,489, and Meade *et al.*, US 5,849,992). Suitable transgenes include 20 coding sequences for light and/or heavy chains in operable linkage with a promoter and enhancer from a mammary gland specific gene, such as casein or beta lactoglobulin.

Alternatively, antibodies (e.g., humanized antibodies) of the invention can be produced in transgenic plants (e.g., tobacco, maize, soybean and alfalfa). Improved 'plantibody' vectors (Hendy *et al.* (1999) *J. Immunol. Methods* 231:137-146) and 25 purification strategies coupled with an increase in transformable crop species render such methods a practical and efficient means of producing recombinant immunoglobulins not only for human and animal therapy, but for industrial applications as well (e.g., catalytic antibodies). Moreover, plant produced antibodies have been shown to be safe and effective and avoid the use of animal-derived materials and therefore the risk of 30 contamination with a transmissible spongiform encephalopathy (TSE) agent. Further, the differences in glycosylation patterns of plant and mammalian cell-produced antibodies have little or no effect on antigen binding or specificity. In addition, no evidence of toxicity or HAMA has been observed in patients receiving topical oral application of a

plant-derived secretory dimeric IgA antibody (see Larrick *et al.* (1998) *Res. Immunol.* 149:603-608).

Various methods may be used to express recombinant antibodies in transgenic plants. For example, antibody heavy and light chains can be independently cloned into expression vectors (*e.g.*, *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* vectors), followed by the transformation of plant tissue *in vitro* with the recombinant bacterium or direct transformation using, *e.g.*, particles coated with the vector which are then physically introduced into the plant tissue using, *e.g.*, ballistics. Subsequently, whole plants expressing individual chains are reconstituted followed by their sexual cross, ultimately resulting in the production of a fully assembled and functional antibody. Similar protocols have been used to express functional antibodies in tobacco plants (see Hiatt *et al.* (1989) *Nature* 342:76-87). In various embodiments, signal sequences may be utilized to promote the expression, binding and folding of unassembled antibody chains by directing the chains to the appropriate plant environment (*e.g.*, the aqueous environment of the apoplasm or other specific plant tissues including tubers, fruit or seed) (see Fiedler *et al.* (1995) *Bio/Technology* 13:1090-1093). Plant bioreactors can also be used to increase antibody yield and to significantly reduce costs.

The vectors containing the polynucleotide sequences of interest (*e.g.*, the heavy and light chain encoding sequences and expression control sequences) can be transferred into the host cell by well-known methods, which vary depending on the type of cellular host. For example, calcium chloride transfection is commonly utilized for prokaryotic cells, whereas calcium phosphate treatment, electroporation, lipofection, biolistics or viral-based transfection may be used for other cellular hosts. (See generally Sambrook *et al.*, *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual* (Cold Spring Harbor Press, 2nd ed., 1989) (incorporated by reference in its entirety for all purposes). Other methods used to transform mammalian cells include the use of polybrene, protoplast fusion, liposomes, electroporation, and microinjection (see generally, Sambrook *et al.*, *supra*). For production of transgenic animals, transgenes can be microinjected into fertilized oocytes, or can be incorporated into the genome of embryonic stem cells, and the nuclei of such cells transferred into enucleated oocytes.

When heavy and light chains are cloned on separate expression vectors, the vectors are co-transfected to obtain expression and assembly of intact immunoglobulins. Once expressed, the whole antibodies, their dimers, individual light

and heavy chains, or other immunoglobulin forms of the present invention can be purified according to standard procedures of the art, including ammonium sulfate precipitation, affinity columns, column chromatography, HPLC purification, gel electrophoresis and the like (see generally Scopes, *Protein Purification* (Springer-Verlag, N.Y., (1982)). Substantially pure immunoglobulins of at least about 90 to 95% homogeneity are preferred, and 98 to 99% or more homogeneity most preferred, for pharmaceutical uses.

#### 6. Antibody Fragments

Also contemplated within the scope of the instant invention are antibody fragments. In one embodiment, fragments of non-human, and/or chimeric antibodies are provided. In another embodiment, fragments of humanized antibodies are provided. Typically, these fragments exhibit specific binding to antigen with an affinity of at least  $10^7$ , and more typically  $10^8$  or  $10^9\text{ M}^{-1}$ . Humanized antibody fragments include separate heavy chains, light chains, Fab, Fab', F(ab')<sub>2</sub>, Fabc, and Fv. Fragments are produced by recombinant DNA techniques, or by enzymatic or chemical separation of intact immunoglobulins.

In some embodiments, the generally short half-life of antibody fragments (e.g., Fabs or Fab's) is extended by pegylation. This is generally achieved by fusion to polyethylene glycol (PEG), as described by, for example, Leong, *et al. Cytokine* **16**, 106–119 (2001). PEGylation has the added advantage of eliminating Fc receptor mediated function, where desired, and /or reducing immunogenicity. In exemplary embodiments, 2-20 kDa PEG molecules are covalently attached, for example, to an antibody heavy chain hinge region via a K-linker-C (See, e.g., Choy et al., *Rheumatol.* **41**:1133-1137 (2002)).

#### 7. Epitope Mapping

Epitope mapping can be performed to determine which antigenic determinant or epitope of A $\beta$  is recognized by the antibody. In one embodiment, epitope mapping is performed according to Replacement NET (rNET) analysis. The rNET epitope map assay provides information about the contribution of individual residues within the epitope to the overall binding activity of the antibody. rNET analysis uses synthesized systematic single substituted peptide analogs. Binding of an antibody

being tested is determined against native peptide (native antigen) and against 19 alternative “single substituted” peptides, each peptide being substituted at a first position with one of 19 non-native amino acids for that position. A profile is generated reflecting the effect of substitution at that position with the various non-native residues. Profiles 5 are likewise generated at successive positions along the antigenic peptide. The combined profile, or epitope map, (reflecting substitution at each position with all 19 non-native residues) can then be compared to a map similarly generated for a second antibody. Substantially similar or identical maps indicate that antibodies being compared have the same or similar epitope specificity.

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8. Testing Antibodies for Therapeutic Efficacy (e.g., Plaque Clearing Activity) in Animal Models

Groups of 7-9 month old PDAPP mice each are injected with 0.5 mg in PBS of polyclonal anti-A $\beta$  or specific anti-A $\beta$  monoclonal, humanized, or chimeric 15 antibodies. All antibody preparations are purified to have low endotoxin levels. Monoclonals can be prepared against a fragment by injecting the fragment or longer form of A $\beta$  into a mouse, preparing hybridomas and screening the hybridomas for an antibody that specifically binds to a desired fragment of A $\beta$  without binding to other nonoverlapping fragments of A $\beta$ . Humanized and/or chimeric antibodies are prepared 20 as described herein.

Mice are injected intraperitoneally as needed over a 4 month period to maintain a circulating antibody concentration measured by ELISA titer of greater than 1/1000 defined by ELISA to A $\beta$ 42 or other immunogen. Titers are monitored and mice are euthanized at the end of 6 months of injections. Histochemistry, A $\beta$  levels and 25 toxicology are performed post mortem. Ten mice are used per group.

9. Testing Antibodies for Binding to Soluble Oligomeric A $\beta$

The invention also provides methods of testing the ability of an antibody to bind to soluble, oligomeric A $\beta$  in a biochemical assay. The biochemical assay is 30 based, at least in part, on a comparison of the binding of an antibody to one or more forms of soluble, oligomeric A $\beta$  (e.g., A $\beta$  dimers, A $\beta$  trimers, A $\beta$  tetramers, A $\beta$  pentamers, and the like) as compared to the binding of the antibody to monomeric A $\beta$ . This comparison can be used to determine a relative binding of the antibody to soluble,

oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ . In various embodiments, this relative binding is compared to a corresponding relative binding of a control reagent to one or more soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  species versus monomeric A $\beta$ . In other aspects, the affinity of an antibody for one or more oligomeric A $\beta$  species is compared to the 5 antibody's affinity for monomeric A $\beta$  in the A $\beta$  preparation. It has been discovered that a strong correlation exists between an A $\beta$  antibody's ability to preferentially bind soluble, oligomeric A $\beta$  species and the ability of the antibody to rapidly improve cognition as assessed by a CFC assay in an appropriate model animal, as described in detail *infra*. An antibody's ability to improve cognition in the CFC assay is further 10 believed to be a strong indicator or predictor of the antibody's ultimate human therapeutic efficacy (in particular, efficacy in rapidly improving cognition in a patient). Accordingly, a comparison of A $\beta$  antibody binding preferences and/or affinities leads to the identification of certain antibodies as candidates for use in the therapeutic methods 15 of the invention, in particular, for use in method for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a patient.

Candidate antibodies exhibit a preferential or greater binding to one or more soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  species as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ . Antibodies that preferentially bind to, for example, A $\beta$  dimers, trimers and tetramers as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  are preferred candidates for use in methods for effecting rapid 20 improvement in cognition in a patient. For example, candidate antibodies exhibiting a two-fold, three-fold, four-fold, five-fold, ten-fold, twenty-fold or more greater binding to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  species as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  are selected for use in the therapeutic methods.

The binding of an antibody to one or more soluble, oligomeric A $\beta$  species 25 or to monomeric A $\beta$  can be determined qualitatively, quantitatively, or combination of both. In general, any technique capable of distinguishing oligomeric A $\beta$  species from monomeric A $\beta$  in an A $\beta$  preparation comprising the species can be used. In exemplary embodiments, one or more of immunoprecipitation, electrophoretic separation, and chromatographic separation (*e.g.*, liquid chromatography), can be used to distinguish 30 oligomeric A $\beta$  species from monomeric A $\beta$  in an A $\beta$  preparation comprising the species.

In preferred embodiments, the binding of the antibody to one or more soluble, oligomeric A $\beta$  species or to monomeric A $\beta$  is determined by immunoprecipitating the A $\beta$  species from the preparation. The immunoprecipitate is

then subjected to an electrophoretic separation (*e.g.*, SDS-PAGE) to distinguish oligomeric species from monomeric A $\beta$  in the precipitate. The amount of oligomeric A $\beta$  species and monomeric A $\beta$  present in the electrophoretic bands can be visualized, for example, by immunoblotting of the electrophoretic gel or by direct quantitation of the 5 respective species in the bands of the electrophoretic gel. The amount of precipitate for an A $\beta$  species can be determined, for example, from the intensity of the corresponding electrophoretic bands, immunoblot bands, or a combination of both. The intensity determination can be qualitative, quantitative, or a combination of both.

Assessment of band intensity can be performed, for example, using 10 appropriate film exposures which can be scanned and the density of bands determined with software, for example, AlphaEase<sup>TM</sup> software (AlphaInnotech<sup>TM</sup>). Assessment of band intensity can be performed, for example, using any of a number of labels incorporated into the antibody, an imaging reagent (*e.g.*, an antibody used in an immunoblot), or both. Suitable labels include, but are not limited to, fluorescent labels, 15 radioactive labels, paramagnetic labels, or combinations thereof.

In various embodiments, the amount of one or more oligomeric A $\beta$  species and/or monomeric A $\beta$  which bind to an antibody can be assessed using mass spectrometry, for example, on the A $\beta$  preparation itself a suitable time after it has been contacted with the antibody, or on monomeric A $\beta$  and/or one or more soluble, 20 oligomeric A $\beta$  species bound to the antibody which have been extracted from the A $\beta$  preparation.

In certain aspects, the affinity of an antibody for one or more oligomeric A $\beta$  species is compared to the antibody's affinity for monomeric A $\beta$  to identify the antibody as a candidate for use in the therapeutic methods of the invention, in particular, 25 for use in method for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a patient. The affinity of the test antibody (*e.g.*, an A $\beta$  antibody) for oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  can be compared to the binding affinities of a control reagent. Labels can be used to assess the affinity of an antibody for monomeric A $\beta$ , oligomeric A $\beta$ , or both. In various embodiments, a primary reagent with affinity for A $\beta$  is unlabelled and a secondary 30 labeling agent is used to bind to the primary reagent. Suitable labels include, but are not limited to, fluorescent labels, paramagnetic labels, radioactive labels, and combinations thereof.

In certain aspects, the methods of the invention feature the administration of an anti-A $\beta$  antibody that is capable of rapidly improving cognition in a subject wherein the anti-A $\beta$  antibody has been identified in using an assay which is suitably predictive of immunotherapeutic efficacy in the subject. In exemplary embodiments, the 5 assay is a biochemical assay that is based, at least in part, on a comparison of the binding of one or more A $\beta$  oligomers in an A $\beta$  preparation to a test immunotherapeutic agent to the binding of A $\beta$  monomers in the A $\beta$  preparation to the test immunotherapeutic agent. The one or more A $\beta$  oligomers can include, for example, one or more of A $\beta$  dimers, A $\beta$  trimers, A $\beta$  tetramers, and A $\beta$  pentamers. In various embodiments, the test 10 immunotherapeutic agent is identified when the binding of one or more A $\beta$  oligomers in the A $\beta$  preparation to the test immunotherapeutic agent is greater than the binding of A $\beta$  monomers in the A $\beta$  preparation to the test immunotherapeutic agent. The amount of A $\beta$  monomers and one or more A $\beta$  oligomer species in an A $\beta$  preparation which bind to a test immunological reagent can be assessed using biochemical methods, for example 15 using immunoprecipitation to precipitate from the A $\beta$  preparation the A $\beta$  monomers and one or more A $\beta$  oligomer species bound to the test immunological reagent followed by an electrophoretic separation of the immunoprecipitates. Such biochemical assays are discussed further herein and in U.S. provisional patent application Serial Nos. 60/636,687, filed December 15, 2004, and 60/736,045, filed November 10, 2005, both 20 entitled "AN IMMUNOPRECIPITATION-BASED ASSAY FOR PREDICTING *IN VIVO* EFFICACY OF BETA-AMYLOID ANTIBODIES," the entire contents of each are incorporated by reference herein.

#### 10. Screening Antibodies for Clearing Activity

The invention also provides methods of screening an antibody for activity 25 in clearing an amyloid deposit or any other antigen, or associated biological entity, for which clearing activity is desired. To screen for activity against an amyloid deposit, a tissue sample from a brain of a patient with Alzheimer's disease or an animal model having characteristic Alzheimer's pathology is contacted with phagocytic cells bearing 30 an Fc receptor, such as microglial cells, and the antibody under test in a medium *in vitro*. The phagocytic cells can be a primary culture or a cell line, and can be of murine (e.g., BV-2 or C8-B4 cells) or human origin (e.g., THP-1 cells). In some methods, the

components are combined on a microscope slide to facilitate microscopic monitoring. In some methods, multiple reactions are performed in parallel in the wells of a microtiter dish. In such a format, a separate miniature microscope slide can be mounted in the separate wells, or a nonmicroscopic detection format, such as ELISA detection of A $\beta$

5 can be used. Preferably, a series of measurements is made of the amount of amyloid deposit in the *in vitro* reaction mixture, starting from a baseline value before the reaction has proceeded, and one or more test values during the reaction. The antigen can be detected by staining, for example, with a fluorescently labeled antibody to A $\beta$  or other component of amyloid plaques. The antibody used for staining may or may not be the

10 same as the antibody being tested for clearing activity. A reduction relative to baseline during the reaction of the amyloid deposits indicates that the antibody under test has clearing activity. Such antibodies are likely to be useful in preventing or treating Alzheimer's and other amyloidogenic diseases. Particularly useful antibodies for preventing or treating Alzheimer's and other amyloidogenic diseases include those

15 capable of clearing both compact and diffuse amyloid plaques, for example, the 12A11 antibody of the instant invention, or chimeric or humanized versions thereof.

Analogous methods can be used to screen antibodies for activity in clearing other types of biological entities. The assay can be used to detect clearing activity against virtually any kind of biological entity. Typically, the biological entity

20 has some role in human or animal disease. The biological entity can be provided as a tissue sample or in isolated form. If provided as a tissue sample, the tissue sample is preferably unfixed to allow ready access to components of the tissue sample and to avoid perturbing the conformation of the components incidental to fixing. Examples of tissue samples that can be tested in this assay include cancerous tissue, precancerous

25 tissue, tissue containing benign growths such as warts or moles, tissue infected with pathogenic microorganisms, tissue infiltrated with inflammatory cells, tissue bearing pathological matrices between cells (*e.g.*, fibrinous pericarditis), tissue bearing aberrant antigens, and scar tissue. Examples of isolated biological entities that can be used include A $\beta$ , viral antigens or viruses, proteoglycans, antigens of other pathogenic

30 microorganisms, tumor antigens, and adhesion molecules. Such antigens can be obtained from natural sources, recombinant expression or chemical synthesis, among other means. The tissue sample or isolated biological entity is contacted with phagocytic cells bearing Fc receptors, such as monocytes or microglial cells, and an

antibody to be tested in a medium. The antibody can be directed to the biological entity under test or to an antigen associated with the entity. In the latter situation, the object is to test whether the biological entity is phagocytosed with the antigen. Usually, although not necessarily, the antibody and biological entity (sometimes with an associated antigen), are contacted with each other before adding the phagocytic cells. The concentration of the biological entity and/or the associated antigen remaining in the medium, if present, is then monitored. A reduction in the amount or concentration of antigen or the associated biological entity in the medium indicates the antibody has a clearing response against the antigen and/or associated biological entity in conjunction with the phagocytic cells.

11. Testing Antibodies for a Rapid or Prolonged Improvement in Cognition in a CFC Assay

In various aspects, an antibody of the invention can be tested for the ability to improve cognition in an appropriate animal model. For example, the ability of an antibody to improve cognition in an animal model for AD, as assessed *via* a contextual fear conditioning (CFC) assay, can be used to select the antibody as a candidate for use in the therapeutic methods of the invention, in particular, in methods for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a patient.

Contextual fear conditioning is a common form of learning that is exceptionally reliable and rapidly acquired in most animals, for example, mammals. Test animals learn to fear a previously neutral stimulus and/or environment because of its association with an aversive experience. (*see, e.g.,* Fanselow, *Anim. Learn. Behav.* 18:264-270 (1990); Wehner *et al.*, *Nature Genet.* 17:331-334. (1997); Caldarone *et al.*, *Nature Genet.* 17:335-337 (1997)).

Contextual fear conditioning is especially useful for determining cognitive function or dysfunction, *e.g.*, as a result of disease or a disorder, such as a neurodegenerative disease or disorder, an A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder, an amyloidogenic disease or disorder, the presence of an unfavorable genetic alteration affecting cognitive function (*e.g.*, genetic mutation, gene disruption, or undesired genotype), and/or the efficacy of an agent, *e.g.*, an immunological reagent, on cognitive ability. Accordingly, the CFC assay provides a method for independently testing and/or validating the therapeutic effect of agents for preventing or treating a cognitive disease

or disorder, and in particular, a disease or disorder affecting one or more regions of the brains, *e.g.*, the hippocampus, subiculum, cingulated cortex, prefrontal cortex, perirhinal cortex, sensory cortex, and medial temporal lobe.

Typically, the CFC assay is performed using standard animal chambers  
5 and the employment of conditioning training comprising a mild shock (*e.g.*, 0.35mA foot shock) paired with an auditory (*e.g.*, a period of 85 db white noise), olfactory (*e.g.*, almond or lemon extract), touch (*e.g.*, floor cage texture), and/or visual cue (light flash). Alternatively, conditioning training comprises administration of the shock absent a paired cue (*i.e.*, shock associated with context). The response to the aversive experience  
10 (shock) is typically one of freezing (absence of movement except for respiration) but may also include eye blink, or change in the nictitating membrane reflex, depending on the test animal selected. The aversive response is usually characterized on the first day of training to determine a baseline for unconditioned fear with aversive response results on subsequent test days (*e.g.*, freezing in the same context but in the absence of the  
15 aversive stimulus and/or freezing in presence of the cue but in the absence of the aversive experience) being characterized as contextually conditioned fear. For improved reliability, test animals are typically tested separately by independent technicians and scored over time. Additional experimental design details can be found in the art, for example, in Crawley, JN, *What's Wrong with my Mouse; Behavioral Phenotyping of Transgenic and Knockout Mice*, Wiley-Liss, NY (2000).

Exemplary test animals (*e.g.*, model animals) include mammals (*e.g.* rodents or non-human primates) that exhibit prominent symptoms or pathology that is characteristic of an amyloidogenic disorder such as Alzheimer's. Model animals may be created by selective inbreeding for a desired or they may genetically engineered using  
25 transgenic techniques that are well-known in the art, such that a targeted genetic alteration (*e.g.* a genetic mutation, gene disruption) in a gene that is associated with the dementia disorder, leading to aberrant expression or function of the targeted gene. For example, several transgenic mouse strains are available that overexpress APP and develop amyloid plaque pathology and/or develop cognitive deficits that are  
30 characteristic of Alzheimer's disease (see for example, Games *et al.*, *supra*, Johnson-Wood *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 94:1550 (1997); Masliah E and Rockenstein E. (2000) *J Neural Transm Suppl.*;59:175-83).

Alternatively, the model animal can be created using chemical compounds (*e.g.* neurotoxins, anesthetics) or surgical techniques (*e.g.* stereotactic ablation, axotomy, transection, aspiration) that ablate or otherwise interfere with the normal function of an anatomical brain region (*e.g.* hippocampus, amygdala, 5 perirhinal cortex, medial septal nucleus, locus coeruleus, mammillary bodies) or specific neurons (*e.g.* serotonergic, cholinergic, or dopaminergic neurons) that are associated with characteristic symptoms or pathology of the amyloidogenic disorder. In certain preferred embodiments, the animal model exhibits a prominent cognitive deficit associated with learning or memory in addition to the neurodegenerative pathology that 10 is associated with a amyloidogenic disorder. More preferably, the cognitive deficit progressively worsens with increasing age, such that the disease progression in the model animal parallels the disease progression in a subject suffering from the amyloidogenic disorder.

Contextual fear conditioning and other *in vivo* assays to test the functionality of 15 the antibodies described herein may be performed using wild-type mice or mice having a certain genetic alteration leading to impaired memory or mouse models of neurodegenerative disease, *e.g.*, Alzheimer's disease, including mouse models which display elevated levels of soluble A $\beta$  in the cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) or plasma. For example, animal models for Alzheimer's disease include transgenic mice that 20 overexpress the "Swedish" mutation of human amyloid precursor protein (*hAPPswe*; Tg2576) which show age-dependent memory deficits and plaques (Hsiao *et al.* (1996) *Science* 274:99-102). The *in vivo* functionality of the antibodies described herein can also be tested using PDAPP transgenic mice, which express a mutant form of human APP (APP<sup>V71F</sup>) and develop Alzheimer's disease at a young age (Bard, *et al.* (2000) *Nature Medicine* 6:916-919; Masliah E, *et al.* (1996) *J Neurosci.* 15;16(18):5795-811). Other mouse models for Alzheimer's disease include the PS-1 mutant mouse, described 25 in Duff, *et al.* (1996) *Nature* 383, 710-713 and the PSAPP mouse, a doubly transgenic mouse (PSAPP) overexpressing mutant APP (*e.g.* Swedish-type mutant APP (*hAPPswe*)) and PS1 transgenes, described in Holcomb, *et al.* (1998) *Nature Medicine* 30 4:97-110. PSAPP mouse models exhibit age-related development of amyloid plaques that are similar to those observed in AD (Kumar-Singh *et al.*, *Am J Pathol.* (2005), 167(2):527-43). Deposition of A $\beta$  in the frontal cortex and hippocampus of PSAPP mice as early as 3 months of age progresses to cover substantial portions of these areas

of the brain at 12 months (Takachi *et al.*, *Am J Pathol.* (2000), 157(1):331-9; McGowan *et al.*, *Neurobiol Dis.* (1999), 6(4):231-44). PSAPP mice can be evaluated in a CFC when they are greater than 10 months of age, for example, when they are approximately 20 months of age. In particular, 20 month old PSAPP mice have particularly prominent 5 contextual memory deficit and dense accumulation of plaque, and are accordingly exemplary model animals for the methods of the invention. Other genetically altered transgenic models of Alzheimer's disease are described in Masliah E and Rockenstein E. (2000) *J Neural Transm Suppl.* 59:175-83.

In certain embodiments, model animals are evaluated using the methods 10 of the invention at an age when they display symptoms of the disease (*e.g.* memory deficits), but lack disease pathology (*e.g.* plaque formation). In exemplary embodiments, model animals are evaluated using the methods of the invention when they are approximately 10 weeks of age or older, more preferably when they are approximately 20 weeks of age or older. In particular, approximately 20 week old 15 transgenic AD mice have particularly prominent contextual memory deficits, and are accordingly preferred model animals for the methods of the invention.

In other embodiments, model animals are evaluated using the methods of 20 the invention at an age when they display both the symptoms of the disease (*e.g.* memory deficits) and the disease pathology. In exemplary embodiments, model animals are evaluated when they are approximately 10 months of age or older, or when they are greater than 15 months of age or older. In a preferred embodiment, approximately 18-20 month old transgenic AD mice are evaluated using the methods of the invention. 18-20 month old transgenic AD mice are relatively aged animals and are likely to have dense plaque formations in their brains, as well prominent memory deficits.

25 In various aspects, the methods of the invention comprise the administration of an anti-A $\beta$  antibody that is capable of rapidly improving cognition in a subject wherein the anti-A $\beta$  antibody has been identified in using an assay which is suitably predictive of immunotherapeutic efficacy in the subject. In exemplary embodiments, the assay is a model animal assay that is based, at least in part, on comparing cognition, as determined from a contextual fear conditioning study, of an 30 animal after administration of a test immunological reagent to the animal, as compared to a suitable control. The CFC assay evaluates changes in cognition of an animal (typically a mouse or rat) upon treatment with a potential therapeutic compound. In

certain embodiments, the change in cognition evaluated is an improvement in memory impairment status or a reversal of memory deficit. Accordingly, the CFC assay provides a direct method for determining the therapeutic effect of agents for preventing or treating cognitive disease, and in particular, a disease or disorder affecting one or more regions 5 of the brains, e.g., the hippocampus, subiculum, cingulated cortex, prefrontal cortex, perirhinal cortex, sensory cortex, and medial temporal lobe. Such CFC assays are discussed further herein and in U.S. provisional patent application Serial Nos. 60/636,842 filed on December 15, 2004, 60/637,253, filed on December 16, 2004, and 60/736,119, filed on November 10, 2005, the entire content of each of which is 10 incorporated by reference herein.

#### 12. Chimeric / Humanized Antibodies Having Altered Effector Function

For the above-described antibodies of the invention comprising a constant region (Fc region), it may also be desirable to alter the effector function of the molecule. 15 Generally, the effector function of an antibody resides in the constant or Fc region of the molecule which can mediate binding to various effector molecules, e.g., complement proteins or Fc receptors. The binding of complement to the Fc region is important, for example, in the opsonization and lysis of cell pathogens and the activation of inflammatory responses. The binding of antibody to Fc receptors, for example, on the 20 surface of effector cells can trigger a number of important and diverse biological responses including, for example, engulfment and destruction of antibody-coated pathogens or particles, clearance of immune complexes, lysis of antibody-coated target cells by killer cells (*i.e.*, antibody-dependent cell-mediated cytotoxicity, or ADCC), release of inflammatory mediators, placental transfer of antibodies, and control of 25 immunoglobulin production.

Accordingly, depending on a particular therapeutic or diagnostic application, the above-mentioned immune functions, or only selected immune functions, may be desirable. By altering the Fc region of the antibody, various aspects of the effector function of the molecule, including enhancing or suppressing various reactions 30 of the immune system, with beneficial effects in diagnosis and therapy, are achieved.

The antibodies of the invention can be produced which react only with certain types of Fc receptors, for example, the antibodies of the invention can be modified to bind to only certain Fc receptors, or if desired, lack Fc receptor binding

entirely, by deletion or alteration of the Fc receptor binding site located in the Fc region of the antibody. Other desirable alterations of the Fc region of an antibody of the invention are cataloged below. Typically the EU numbering system (*i.e.* the EU index of Kabat *et al.*, *supra*) is used to indicate which amino acid residue(s) of the Fc region (*e.g.*, 5 of an IgG antibody) are altered (*e.g.*, by amino acid substitution) in order to achieve a desired change in effector function. The numbering system is also employed to compare antibodies across species such that a desired effector function observed in, for example, a mouse antibody, can then be systematically engineered into a human, humanized, or chimeric antibody of the invention.

10 For example, it has been observed that antibodies (*e.g.*, IgG antibodies) can be grouped into those found to exhibit tight, intermediate, or weak binding to an Fc receptor (*e.g.*, an Fc receptor on human monocytes (Fc $\gamma$ RI)). By comparison of the amino-acid sequences in these different affinity groups, a monocyte-binding site in the hinge-link region (Leu234-Ser239 according to EU numbering system) has been 15 identified. Moreover, the human Fc $\gamma$ RI receptor binds human IgG1 and mouse IgG2a as a monomer, but the binding of mouse IgG2b is 100-fold weaker. A comparison of the sequence of these proteins in the hinge-link region shows that the sequence from EU numbering positions 234 to 238, *i.e.*, Leu-Leu-Gly-Gly-Pro (SEQ ID NO:71) in the strong binders becomes Leu-Glu-Gly-Gly-Pro (SEQ ID NO:72) in mouse gamma 2b, 20 *i.e.*, weak binders. Accordingly, a corresponding change in a human antibody hinge sequence can be made if reduced Fc $\gamma$ I receptor binding is desired. It is understood that other alterations can be made to achieve the same or similar results. For example, the affinity of Fc $\gamma$ RI binding can be altered by replacing the specified residue with a residue having an inappropriate functional group on its sidechain, or by introducing a charged 25 functional group (*e.g.*, Glu or Asp) or for example an aromatic non-polar residue (*e.g.*, Phe, Tyr, or Trp).

These changes can be equally applied to the murine, human, and rat systems given the sequence homology between the different immunoglobulins. It has been shown that for human IgG3, which binds to the human Fc $\gamma$ RI receptor, changing 30 Leu at EU position 235 to Glu destroys the interaction of the mutant for the receptor. The binding site for this receptor can thus be switched on or switched off by making the appropriate mutation.

Mutations on adjacent or close sites in the hinge link region (*e.g.*, replacing residues at EU positions 234, 236 or 237 by Ala) indicate that alterations in residues 234, 235, 236, and 237 at least affect affinity for the Fc<sub>Y</sub>RI receptor.

Accordingly, the antibodies of the invention can also have an altered Fc region with  
5 altered binding affinity for Fc<sub>Y</sub>RI as compared with the unmodified antibody. Such an antibody conveniently has a modification at EU amino acid positions 234, 235, 236, or 237. In some embodiments, an antibody of the invention is a humanized antibody including amino acid alterations at one or more EU positions 234, 235, 236 and 237. In a particular embodiment of the invention, a humanized antibody includes amino acid  
10 alterations at EU positions 234 and 237 of the hinge link region derived from IgG1 (*i.e.*, L234A and G237A).

Affinity for other Fc receptors can be altered by a similar approach, for controlling the immune response in different ways.

15 As a further example, the lytic properties of IgG antibodies following binding of the Cl component of complement can be altered.

The first component of the complement system, Cl, comprises three proteins known as Clq, Clr and Cls which bind tightly together. It has been shown that Clq is responsible for binding of the three protein complex to an antibody.

20 Accordingly, the Clq binding activity of an antibody can be altered by providing an antibody with an altered CH 2 domain in which at least one of the amino acid residues at EU amino acid positions 318, 320, and 322 of the heavy chain has been changed to a residue having a different side chain. Other suitable alterations for altering, *e.g.*, reducing or abolishing specific Clq-binding to an antibody include changing any  
25 one of residues at EU positions 318 (Glu), 320 (Lys) and 322 (Lys), to Ala.

Moreover, by making mutations at these residues, it has been shown that Clq binding is retained as long as residue 318 has a hydrogen-bonding side chain and residues 320 and 322 both have a positively charged side chain.

Clq binding activity can be abolished by replacing any one of the three  
30 specified residues with a residue having an inappropriate functionality on its side chain. It is not necessary to replace the ionic residues only with Ala to abolish Clq binding. It is also possible to use other alkyl-substituted non-ionic residues, such as Gly, Ile, Leu, or Val, or such aromatic non-polar residues as Phe, Tyr, Trp and Pro in place of any one of

the three residues in order to abolish Clq binding. In addition, it is also possible to use such polar non-ionic residues as Ser, Thr, Cys, and Met in place of residues 320 and 322, but not 318, in order to abolish Clq binding activity.

It is also noted that the side chains on ionic or non-ionic polar residues 5 will be able to form hydrogen bonds in a similar manner to the bonds formed by the Glu residue. Therefore, replacement of the 318 (Glu) residue by a polar residue may modify but not abolish Clq binding activity.

It is also known that replacing residue 297 (Asn) with Ala results in removal of lytic activity while only slightly reducing (about three fold weaker) affinity 10 for Clq. This alteration destroys the glycosylation site and the presence of carbohydrate that is required for complement activation. Any other substitution at this site will also destroy the glycosylation site.

The invention also provides an antibody having an altered effector function wherein the antibody has a modified hinge region. The modified hinge region 15 may comprise a complete hinge region derived from an antibody of different antibody class or subclass from that of the CH1 domain. For example, the constant domain (CH1) of a class IgG1 antibody can be attached to a hinge region of a class IgG4 antibody. Alternatively, the new hinge region may comprise part of a natural hinge or a repeating unit in which each unit in the repeat is derived from a natural hinge region. In one 20 example, the natural hinge region is altered by converting one or more cysteine residues into a neutral residue, such as alanine, or by converting suitably placed residues into cysteine residues. Such alterations are carried out using art recognized protein chemistry and, preferably, genetic engineering techniques, as described herein.

In one embodiment of the invention, the number of cysteine residues in 25 the hinge region of the antibody is reduced, for example, to one cysteine residue. This modification has the advantage of facilitating the assembly of the antibody, for example, bispecific antibody molecules and antibody molecules wherein the Fc portion has been replaced by an effector or reporter molecule, since it is only necessary to form a single disulfide bond. This modification also provides a specific target for attaching the hinge 30 region either to another hinge region or to an effector or reporter molecule, either directly or indirectly, for example, by chemical means.

Conversely, the number of cysteine residues in the hinge region of the antibody is increased, for example, at least one more than the number of normally

occurring cysteine residues. Increasing the number of cysteine residues can be used to stabilize the interactions between adjacent hinges. Another advantage of this modification is that it facilitates the use of cysteine thiol groups for attaching effector or reporter molecules to the altered antibody, for example, a radiolabel.

5 Accordingly, the invention provides for an exchange of hinge regions between antibody classes, in particular, IgG classes, and/or an increase or decrease in the number of cysteine residues in the hinge region in order to achieve an altered effector function (see for example U.S. Patent No. 5,677,425 which is expressly incorporated herein). A determination of altered antibody effector function is made using the assays  
10 described herein or other art recognized techniques.

In yet another aspect, the isotype of the antibody is IgG4. In another aspect, an antibody of the invention is engineered to have an isotype having reduced effector function (*e.g.*, reduced Fc-mediated phagocytosis, reduced ability to opsonize plaques *etc.*). In a particular embodiment, an antibody of the invention is a humanized  
15 12A11 antibody (*e.g.*, humanized 12A11 v.1) having an IgG4 isotype.

Importantly, the resultant antibody can be subjected to one or more assays to evaluate any change in biological activity compared to the starting antibody. For example, the ability of the antibody with an altered Fc region to bind complement or  
20 Fc receptors can be assessed using the assays disclosed herein as well as any art recognized assay.

Production of the antibodies of the invention is carried out by any suitable technique including techniques described herein as well as techniques known to those skilled in the art. For example an appropriate protein sequence, *e.g.* forming part  
25 of or all of a relevant constant domain, *e.g.*, Fc region, *i.e.*, CH<sub>2</sub>, and/or CH<sub>3</sub> domain(s), of an antibody, and include appropriately altered residue(s) can be synthesized and then chemically joined into the appropriate place in an antibody molecule.

Preferably, genetic engineering techniques are used for producing an altered antibody. Preferred techniques include, for example, preparing suitable primers  
30 for use in polymerase chain reaction (PCR) such that a DNA sequence which encodes at least part of an IgG heavy chain, *e.g.*, an Fc or constant region (*e.g.*, CH<sub>2</sub>, and/or CH<sub>3</sub>) is altered, at one or more residues. The segment can then be operably linked to the

remaining portion of the antibody, *e.g.*, the variable region of the antibody and required regulatory elements for expression in a cell.

The present invention also includes vectors used to transform the cell line, vectors used in producing the transforming vectors, cell lines transformed with the 5 transforming vectors, cell lines transformed with preparative vectors, and methods for their production.

Preferably, the cell line which is transformed to produce the antibody with an altered Fc region (*i.e.*, of altered effector function) is an immortalized mammalian cell line (*e.g.*, CHO cell).

10 Although the cell line used to produce the antibody with an altered Fc region is preferably a mammalian cell line, any other suitable cell line, such as a bacterial cell line or a yeast cell line, may alternatively be used.

### 13. Affinity Maturation

15 Antibodies (*e.g.*, humanized antibodies) of the invention can be modified for improved function using any of a number of affinity maturation techniques. Typically, a candidate molecule with a binding affinity to a given target molecule is identified and then further improved or “matured” using mutagenesis techniques resulting in one or more related candidates having a more desired binding interaction 20 with the target molecule. Typically, it is the affinity of the antibody (or avidity, *i.e.*, the combined affinities of the antibody for a target antigen) that is modified, however, other properties of the molecule, such as stability, effector function, clearance, secretion, or transport function, may also be modified, either separately or in parallel with affinity, using affinity maturation techniques.

25 In exemplary embodiments, the affinity of an antibody (*e.g.*, a humanized antibody of the instant invention) is increased. For example, antibodies having binding affinities of at least  $10^7 M^{-1}$ ,  $10^8 M^{-1}$  or  $10^9 M^{-1}$  can be matured such that their affinities are at least  $10^9 M^{-1}$ ,  $10^{10} M^{-1}$  or  $10^{12} M^{-1}$ .

One approach for affinity maturing a binding molecule is to synthesize a 30 nucleic acid encoding the binding molecule, or portion thereof, that encodes the desired change or changes. Oligonucleotide synthesis is well known in the art and readily automated to produce one or more nucleic acids having any desired codon change(s). Restriction sites, silent mutations, and favorable codon usage may also be introduced in

this way. Alternatively, one or more codons can be altered to represent a subset of particular amino acids, *e.g.*, a subset that excludes cysteines which can form disulfide linkages, and is limited to a defined region, for example, a CDR region or portion thereof. Alternatively, the region may be represented by a partially or entirely random 5 set of amino acids (for additional details, see, *e.g.*, U.S. Patent Nos. 5,830,650; 5,798,208; 5,824,514; 5,817,483; 5,814,476; 5,723,323; 4,528,266; 4,359,53; 5,840,479; and 5,869,644).

It is understood that the above approaches can be carried out in part or in full using polymerase chain reaction (PCR) which is well known in the art and has the 10 advantage of incorporating oligonucleotides, *e.g.*, primers or single stranded nucleic acids having, *e.g.*, a desired alteration(s), into a double stranded nucleic acid and in amplified amounts suitable for other manipulations, such as genetic engineering into an appropriate expression or cloning vector. Such PCR can also be carried out under conditions that allow for misincorporation of nucleotides to thereby introduce additional 15 variability into the nucleic acids being amplified. Experimental details for carrying out PCR and related kits, reagents, and primer design can be found, *e.g.*, in U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,683,202; 4,683,195; 6,040,166; and 6,096,551. Methods for introducing CDR regions into antibody framework regions using primer-based PCR is described in, *e.g.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,858,725. Methods for primer-based PCR amplification of antibody 20 libraries (and libraries made according to method) employing a minimal set of primers capable of finding sequence homology with a larger set of antibody molecules, such that a larger and diverse set of antibody molecules can be efficiently amplified, is described, *e.g.*, in U.S. Pat. Nos. 5,780,225; 6,303,313; and 6,479,243. Non PCR-based methods for performing site directed mutagenesis can also be used and include ‘Kunkel’ 25 mutagenesis that employs single-stranded uracil containing templates and primers that hybridize and introduce a mutation when passed through a particular strain of *E. coli* (see, *e.g.*, U.S. pat. No. 4,873,192).

Additional methods for varying an antibody sequence, or portion thereof, include nucleic acid synthesis or PCR of nucleic acids under nonoptimal (*i.e.*, error-prone) conditions, denaturation and renaturation (annealing) of such nucleic acids, exonuclease and/or endonuclease digestion followed by reassembly by ligation or PCR (nucleic acid shuffling), or a combination of one or more of the foregoing techniques as described, for example, in U.S. Pat. Nos. 6,440,668; 6,238,884; 6,171,820; 5,965,408;

6,361,974; 6,358,709; 6,352,842; 4,888,286; 6,337,186; 6,165,793; 6,132,970;  
6,117,679; 5,830,721; and 5,605,793.

In certain embodiment, antibody libraries (or affinity maturation libraries) comprising a family of candidate antibody molecules having diversity in certain portions 5 of the candidate antibody molecule, *e.g.*, in one or more CDR regions (or a portion thereof), one or more framework regions, and/or one or more constant regions (*e.g.*, a constant region having effector function) can be expressed and screened for desired properties using art recognized techniques (see, *e.g.*, U.S. Patent Nos. 6,291,161; 6,291,160; 6,291,159; and 6,291,158). For example, expression libraries of antibody 10 variable domains having a diversity of CDR3 sequences and methods for producing human antibody libraries having a diversity of CDR3 sequences by introducing, by mutagenesis, a diversity of CDR3 sequences and recovering the library can be constructed (see, *e.g.*, U.S. Patent No. 6,248,516).

Other techniques for antibody engineering include antibody affinity 15 engineering by serial epitope guided complementarity replacement, as described in WO 2004/072266 by Kalobios, Inc.

Finally, for expressing the affinity matured antibodies, nucleic acids encoding the candidate antibody molecules can be introduced into cells in an appropriate expression format, *e.g.*, as full length antibody heavy and light chains (*e.g.*, IgG), 20 antibody Fab fragments (*e.g.*, Fab, F(ab')<sub>2</sub>), or as single chain antibodies (scFv) using standard vector and cell transfection/transformation technologies (see, *e.g.*, U.S. Patent Nos. 6,331,415; 6,103,889; 5,260,203; 5,258,498; and 4,946,778).

#### B. Nucleic Acid Encoding Immunologic and Therapeutic Agents

Immune responses against amyloid deposits can also be induced by 25 administration of nucleic acids encoding antibodies and their component chains used for passive immunization. Such nucleic acids can be DNA or RNA. A nucleic acid segment encoding an immunogen is typically linked to regulatory elements, such as a promoter and enhancer, that allow expression of the DNA segment in the intended target 30 cells of a patient. For expression in blood cells, as is desirable for induction of an immune response, exemplary promoter and enhancer elements include those from light or heavy chain immunoglobulin genes and/or the CMV major intermediate early promoter and enhancer (Stinski, U.S. Patent Nos. 5,168,062 and 5,385,839). The linked

regulatory elements and coding sequences are often cloned into a vector. For administration of double-chain antibodies, the two chains can be cloned in the same or separate vectors.

A number of viral vector systems are available including retroviral  
5 systems (*see, e.g.*, Lawrie and Tumin, *Cur. Opin. Genet. Develop.* 3:102-109 (1993)); adenoviral vectors (*see, e.g.*, Bett *et al.*, *J. Virol.* 67:5911 (1993)); adeno-associated virus vectors (*see, e.g.*, Zhou *et al.*, *J. Exp. Med.* 179:1867 (1994)), viral vectors from the pox family including vaccinia virus and the avian pox viruses, viral vectors from the alpha virus genus such as those derived from Sindbis and Semliki Forest Viruses (*see, e.g.*, Dubensky *et al.*, *J. Virol.* 70:508 (1996)), Venezuelan equine encephalitis virus (*see Johnston et al.*, US 5,643,576) and rhabdoviruses, such as vesicular stomatitis virus (*see Rose, 6,168,943*) and papillomaviruses (*Ohe et al.*, *Human Gene Therapy* 6:325 (1995); Woo *et al.*, WO 94/12629 and Xiao & Brandsma, *Nucleic Acids. Res.* 24, 2630-2622 (1996)).

15 DNA encoding an immunogen, or a vector containing the same, can be packaged into liposomes. Suitable lipids and related analogs are described by Eppstein *et al.*, US 5,208,036, Felgner *et al.*, US 5,264,618, Rose, US 5,279,833, and Epand *et al.*, US 5,283,185. Vectors and DNA encoding an immunogen can also be adsorbed to or associated with particulate carriers, examples of which include polymethyl methacrylate  
20 polymers and polylactides and poly (lactide-co-glycolides), *see, e.g.*, McGee *et al.*, *J. Micro Encap.* (1996).

Gene therapy vectors or naked polypeptides (*e.g.*, DNA) can be delivered *in vivo* by administration to an individual patient, typically by systemic administration (*e.g.*, intravenous, intraperitoneal, nasal, gastric, intradermal, intramuscular, subdermal, or intracranial infusion) or topical application (*see e.g.*, Anderson *et al.*, US 5,399,346). The term “naked polynucleotide” refers to a polynucleotide not delivered in association with a transfection facilitating agent. Naked polynucleotides are sometimes cloned in a plasmid vector. Such vectors can further include facilitating agents such as bupivacaine (Weiner *et al.*, US 5,593,972). DNA can also be administered using a gene gun. See  
25 Xiao & Brandsma, *supra*. The DNA encoding an immunogen is precipitated onto the surface of microscopic metal beads. The microprojectiles are accelerated with a shock wave or expanding helium gas, and penetrate tissues to a depth of several cell layers.  
30 For example, The Accel™ Gene Delivery Device manufactured by Agricetus, Inc.

Middleton WI is suitable. Alternatively, naked DNA can pass through skin into the blood stream simply by spotting the DNA onto skin with chemical or mechanical irritation (see Howell *et al.*, WO 95/05853).

In a further variation, vectors encoding immunogens can be delivered to 5 cells *ex vivo*, such as cells explanted from an individual patient (*e.g.*, lymphocytes, bone marrow aspirates, tissue biopsy) or universal donor hematopoietic stem cells, followed by reimplantation of the cells into a patient, usually after selection for cells which have incorporated the vector.

10 **II. Prophylactic and Therapeutic Methods**

The present invention is directed *inter alia* to the treatment of A $\beta$ -related diseases or disorders, including amyloidogenic disorders and diseases characterized by soluble A $\beta$  (*e.g.* Alzheimer's). The invention is also directed to use of the disclosed immunological reagents (*e.g.*, humanized immunoglobulins) in the manufacture of a 15 medicament for the treatment or prevention of an A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder or amyloidogenic disease or disorder. The treatment methods of the invention comprise administration of the disclosed immunological reagents (*e.g.*, humanized immunoglobulins against specific epitopes within A $\beta$ ) to a patient under conditions that generate a beneficial therapeutic response in a patient (*e.g.*, rapid improvement in 20 cognition, induction of phagocytosis of A $\beta$ , reduction of plaque burden, inhibition of plaque formation, reduction of neuritic dystrophy, and/or reversing, treating or preventing cognitive decline) in the patient, for example, for the prevention or treatment of the A $\beta$ -related diseases or disorders or amyloidogenic diseases or disorders. Such diseases include Alzheimer's disease, Down's syndrome and mild cognitive impairment. 25 The latter can occur with or without other characteristics of an amyloidogenic disease.

It will be appreciated by those in the art that the immunological reagents of the invention may be used to treat any disorder for which treatment with said immunological reagents is shown to provide a therapeutic benefit to a patient suffering from the disorder. For example, the disorder may be any cognitive disorder, *e.g.* a 30 dementia disorder. Such cognitive deficits may have a number of origins: a functional mechanism (anxiety, depression), physiological aging (age-associated memory impairment), drugs, or anatomical lesions. Indications for which the immunotherapeutic agents of the invention can be useful include learning disabilities or memory deficits due

to toxicant exposure, brain injury leading to amnesia, age, schizophrenia, epilepsy, mental retardation, alcoholic blackouts, Korsakoff's syndrome, medication-induced amnesia (*e.g.* Halcion), basilar artery migraines, or amnesias associated with Herpes simplex encephalitis.

5           In certain embodiments, the methods of the invention involve the administration of an immunological reagent comprising an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 1-10 of A $\beta$  and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ , such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved. In exemplary embodiments, the immunological reagent is an  
10 A $\beta$  antibody that is specific for an epitope within residues 1-10 of A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay. In other exemplary embodiments, the immunological reagent is an A $\beta$  antibody that is specific for an epitope within residues  
15 1-10 of A $\beta$ , preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay.

In other exemplary embodiments, the A $\beta$  antibodies bind to an epitope within residues 3-7 of A $\beta$ . Exemplary A $\beta$  antibodies are selected from the group consisting of a 3D6 antibody, a 3A3 antibody, a 6C6 antibody, a 10D5 antibody, and a  
20 12A11 antibody. In one embodiment, the A $\beta$  antibody is not a 3D6 antibody.

In other exemplary embodiments, the methods of the invention involve administration of immunological reagent comprising an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$  and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ , such that the rapid  
25 improvement in cognition is achieved. In other embodiments, the immunological reagent comprises an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay, such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved. In still other  
30 embodiments, the immunological reagent is an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$ , preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual

Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay, such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved.

In certain exemplary embodiments, the A $\beta$  antibodies bind to an epitope within residues 16-24 of A $\beta$ . Exemplary A $\beta$  antibodies are selected from the group 5 consisting of a 2B1 antibody, a 1C2 antibody, a 15C11 antibody and a 9G8 antibody. In a preferred embodiment, the A $\beta$  antibody is not a 266 antibody.

In certain embodiments, the methods of the invention comprise the administration of an immunological reagent to a subject that has or is at risk for an A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder, in order to rapidly improve cognition in said subject. In 10 other embodiments, the methods of the invention comprise the administration of an immunological reagent to a subject that is substantially free of amyloid deposits. In other embodiments, the methods of the invention comprise the administration of an immunological reagent to a subject prior to substantial plaque deposition in the subject. In one embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is associated with or characterized by 15 soluble A $\beta$ . In another embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is associated with or characterized by insoluble A $\beta$ . In another embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is an amyloidogenic disease. In another embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is Alzheimer's disease. In another embodiment, the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is an A $\beta$ -related cognitive disorder, such as, for example a mild cognitive 20 impairment.

In certain embodiments, the methods of the invention comprise the administration of an immunological reagent (*e.g.* an A $\beta$  antibody) to a subject as a single dose. In other embodiments, the methods of the invention comprise the administration of an immunological reagent (*e.g.* an A $\beta$  antibody) to a subject in multiple doses. In one 25 embodiment, the dose of A $\beta$  antibody is from about 100 $\mu$ g/kg to 100 mg/kg body weight of the patient. In another embodiment, the dose of A $\beta$  antibody is from about 300 $\mu$ g/kg to 30 mg/kg body weight of the patient. In still another embodiment, the dose of A $\beta$  antibody is from about 1 mg/kg to 10 mg/kg body weight of the patient.

When administering an effective dose of an immunological reagent (*e.g.*, 30 antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof) to a human patient for effecting a rapid improvement in cognition in said patient, the effective dose may be a dose equivalent to that necessary to achieve a rapid improvement in cognition in an appropriate animal model. For example, a human patient can be administered a dose equivalent to that necessary to

achieve a rapid improvement in cognition is an animal model of AD (as determined in a CFC assay, as described herein). The dose administered need not be an identical g/kg body weight dose as administered to a model animal. Rather, doses for human administration are those sufficient to achieve an equivalent treatment effect as that seen in the appropriate

5 animal model.

In certain embodiments, the instant invention provides methods for effecting a rapid improvement in cognition in a subject comprising administration of an immunological reagent to the subject such that a rapid improvement is achieved within one month after administration of the antibody. In other embodiments, the rapid

10 improvement in cognition is achieved within one week after administration of the antibody. In other embodiments, the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved within one day after administration of the antibody. In still other embodiments, the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved within 12 hours after administration of the antibody.

15 In certain embodiments, the methods for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject comprise administering to the subject an effective dose of an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$  and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ , such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved. In other embodiments, the methods

20 for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject comprise administering to the subject an effective dose of an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay, such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved. In still other

25 embodiments, the methods for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject comprise administering to the subject an effective dose of an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$ , preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual

30 Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay, such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved. In one embodiment, the A $\beta$  antibody binds to an epitope within residues 16-24 of A $\beta$ . In another embodiment, the A $\beta$  antibody is selected from the group consisting of a

2B1 antibody, a 1C2 antibody, a 15C11 antibody and a 9G8 antibody. In another embodiment, the A $\beta$  antibody is not a 266 antibody.

The methods can be used on both asymptomatic patients and those currently showing symptoms of disease. The antibodies used in for passive 5 immunization or immunotherapy of human subjects with A $\beta$ -related diseases or disorders or amyloidogenic diseases or disorders can be human, humanized, chimeric or nonhuman antibodies, or fragments thereof (*e.g.*, antigen binding fragments) and can be monoclonal or polyclonal, as described herein. In another aspect, the invention features administering an antibody with a pharmaceutical carrier as a pharmaceutical 10 composition. Alternatively, the antibody can be administered to a patient by administering a polynucleotide encoding at least one antibody chain. The polynucleotide is expressed to produce the antibody chain in the patient. Optionally, the polynucleotide encodes heavy and light chains of the antibody. The polynucleotide is expressed to produce the heavy and light chains in the patient. In exemplary 15 embodiments, the patient is monitored for level of administered antibody in the blood of the patient.

In another aspect, the invention features administering an antibody with a pharmaceutical carrier as a pharmaceutical composition. Alternatively, the antibody can be administered to a patient by administering a polynucleotide encoding at least one 20 antibody chain. The polynucleotide is expressed to produce the antibody chain in the patient. Optionally, the polynucleotide encodes heavy and light chains of the antibody. The polynucleotide is expressed to produce the heavy and light chains in the patient. In exemplary embodiments, the patient is monitored for level of administered antibody in the blood of the patient.

25 The invention thus fulfills a longstanding need for therapeutic regimes for preventing or ameliorating the neuropathology and, in some patients, the cognitive impairment associated with an A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder or amyloidogenic disease or disorder (*e.g.*, AD).

30 **A. Rapid Improvement in Cognition**

The present invention provides methods for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a patient having or at risk for suffering from an A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder or amyloidogenic disease or disorder (*e.g.*, AD). In preferred aspects, the

methods feature administering an effective dose of an immunological reagent (*e.g.*, an A $\beta$  antibody) such that rapid improvement in cognition is achieved. In exemplary aspects of the invention, improvement in one or more cognitive deficits in the patient (*e.g.*, procedural learning and/or memory, deficits) is achieved. The cognitive deficit 5 can be an impairment in explicit memory (also known as “declarative” or “working” memory), which is defined as the ability to store and retrieve specific information that is available to consciousness and which can therefore be expressed by language (*e.g.* the ability to remember a specific fact or event). Alternatively, the cognitive deficit can be an impairment in procedural memory (also known as “implicit” or “contextual” 10 memory), which is defined as the ability to acquire, retain, and retrieve general information or knowledge that is not available to consciousness and which requires the learning of skills, associations, habits, or complex reflexes to be expressed, *e.g.* the ability to remember how to execute a specific task. Individuals suffering from procedural memory deficits are much more impaired in their ability to function 15 normally. As such, treatments which are effective in improving deficits in procedural memory are highly desirable and advantageous.

#### **B. Patients Amenable to Treatment**

Patients amenable to treatment include individuals at risk of an A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder or amyloidogenic disease or disorder but not showing symptoms, as well as patients presently showing symptoms. In the case of Alzheimer’s disease, virtually anyone is at risk of suffering from Alzheimer’s disease if he or she lives long enough. Therefore, the present methods can be administered prophylactically to the general population without the need for any assessment of the risk of the subject 25 patient.

The present methods are especially useful for individuals who are at risk for AD, *e.g.*, those who exhibit risk factors of AD. The main risk factor for AD is increased age. As the population ages, the frequency of AD continues to increase. Current estimates indicate that up to 10% of the population over the age of 65 and up to 30 50% of the population over the age of 85 have AD.

Although rare, certain individuals can be identified at an early age as being genetically predisposed to developing AD. Individuals carrying the heritable form of AD, known as “familial AD” or “early-onset AD”, can be identified from a well

documented family history of AD, of the analysis of a gene that is known to confer AD when mutated, for example the APP or presenilin gene. Well characterized APP mutations include the “Hardy” mutations at codons 716 and 717 of APP770 (*e.g.*, valine<sup>717</sup> to isoleucine (Goate *et al.*, (1991), *Nature* 349:704); valine<sup>717</sup> to glycine 5 (Chartier *et al.* (1991) *Nature* 353:844; Murrell *et al.* (1991), *Science* 254:97); valine<sup>717</sup> to phenylalanine (Mullan *et al.* (1992), *Nature Genet.* 1:345-7)), the “Swedish” mutations at codon 670 and 671 of APP770, and the “Flemish” mutation at codon 692 of APP770. Such mutations are thought to cause Alzheimer's disease by increased or altered processing of APP to A $\beta$ , particularly processing of APP to increased amounts of 10 the long form of A $\beta$  (*i.e.*, A $\beta$ 1-42 and A $\beta$ 1-43). Mutations in other genes, such as the presenilin genes, PS1 and PS2, are thought indirectly to affect processing of APP to generate increased amounts of long form A $\beta$  (see Hardy, *TINS* 20: 154 (1997); 15 Kowalska *et al.*, (2004), *Polish J. Pharmacol.*, 56: 171-8). In addition to AD, mutations at amino acid 692 or 693 of the 770-amino acid isoform of APP has been implicated in cerebral amyloidogenic disorder called Hereditary Cerebral Hemorrhage with Amyloidosis of the Dutch-type (HCHWA-D).

More commonly, AD is not inherited by a patient but develops due to the complex interplay of a variety of genetic factors. These individuals are said to have “sporadic AD” (also known as “late-onset AD”), a form which is much more difficult to 20 diagnose. Nonetheless, the patient population can be screened for the presence of susceptibility alleles or traits that do not cause AD but are known to segregate with AD at a higher frequency than in the general population, *e.g.*, the  $\epsilon$ 2,  $\epsilon$ 3, and  $\epsilon$ 4 alleles of apolipoprotein E (Corder *et. al.* (1993), *Science*, 261: 921-923). In particular, patients lacking the  $\epsilon$ 4 allele, preferably in addition to some other marker for AD, may be 25 identified as “at risk” for AD. For example, patients lacking the  $\epsilon$ 4 allele who have relatives who have AD or who suffer from hypercholesterolemia or atherosclerosis may be identified as “at risk” for AD. Another potential biomarker is the combined assessment of cerebral spinal fluid (CSF) A $\beta$ 42 and tau levels. Low A $\beta$ 42 and high tau levels have a predictive value in identifying patients at risk for AD.

30 Other indicators of patients at risk for AD include *in vivo* dynamic neuropathological data, for example, *in vivo* detection of brain beta amyloid, patterns of brain activation, *etc.* Such data can be obtained using, for example, three-dimensional magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), positron emission tomography (PET) scan and

single-photon emission computed tomography (SPECT). Indicators of patients having probable AD include, but are not limited to, patients (1) having dementia, (2) of an age of 40-90 years old, (3) cognitive deficits, *e.g.*, in two or more cognitive domains, (4) progression of deficits for more than six months, (5) consciousness undisturbed, and/or  
5 (6) absence of other reasonable diagnoses.

Individuals suffering either sporadic or familial forms of AD are usually, however, diagnosed following presentation of one or more characteristic symptoms of AD. Common symptoms of AD include cognitive deficits that affect the performance of routine skills or tasks, problems with language, disorientation to time or place, poor or  
10 decreased judgment, impairments in abstract thought, loss of motor control, mood or behavior alteration, personality change, or loss of initiative. The number deficits or the degree of the cognitive deficit displayed by the patient usually reflects the extent to which the disease has progressed. For example, the patient may exhibit only a mild cognitive impairment, such that the patient exhibits problems with memory (*e.g.*  
15 contextual memory) but is otherwise able to function well.

The present methods are also useful for individuals who have an A $\beta$ -related cognitive deficit, *e.g.* A $\beta$ -related dementia. In particular, the present methods are especially useful for individuals who have a cognitive deficit or aberrancy caused by or attributed to the presence of soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  in the central nervous system (CNS),  
20 for example, in the brain or CSF. Cognitive deficits caused by or associated with A $\beta$  also include those caused by or associated with: (1) the development of  $\beta$ -amyloid plaques in the brain; (2) abnormal rates of A $\beta$  synthesis, processing, degradation or clearance; (3) the formation or activity of soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  species (*e.g.*, in the brain); and/or (4) the formation of abnormal forms of A $\beta$ . It is not necessary that an  
25 actual causative link be established between an A $\beta$  abnormality and cognitive deficit in a particular patient, however, some the link should be indicated, for example, by one of the above-described markers of AD to distinguish patients suffering from non-A $\beta$  related cognitive deficits who would not be expected to benefit from treatment with an A $\beta$  immunotherapeutic agent.

30 Several tests have been developed to assess cognitive skills or performance in human subjects, for example, subjects at risk for or having symptoms or pathology of dementia disorders (*e.g.*, AD). Cognitive deficits can be identified by impaired performance of these tests, and many treatments have been proposed based on

their ability to improve performance in these tests. Although some tasks have evaluated behaviors or motor function of subjects, most tasks have been designed to test learning or memory.

Cognition in humans may be assessed using a wide variety of tests  
5 including, but not limited to, the following tests. The ADAS-Cog (Alzheimer Disease Assessment Scale-Cognitive) is 11-part test that takes 30 minutes to complete. The ADAS-Cog is a preferred brief exam for the study of language and memory skills. See Rosen *et al.* (1984) *Am J Psychiatry*. 141(11):1356-64; Ihl *et al.* (2000) *Neuropsychobiol.* 41(2):102-7; and Weyer *et al.* (1997) *Int Psychogeriatr.* 9(2):123-38.

10 The Blessed Test is another quick (~10 minute) test of cognition which assesses activities of daily living and memory, concentration and orientation. See Blessed *et al.* (1968) *Br J Psychiatry* 114(512):797-811.

The Cambridge Neuropsychological Test Automated Battery (CANTAB)  
15 is used for the assessment of cognitive deficits in humans with neurodegenerative diseases or brain damage. It consists of thirteen interrelated computerized tests of memory, attention, and executive function, and is administered *via* a touch sensitive screen from a personal computer. The tests are language and largely culture free, and have shown to be highly sensitive in the early detection and routine screening of Alzheimer's disease. See Swainson *et al.* (2001) *Dement Geriatr Cogn Disord.* 12:265-  
20 280; and Fray and Robbins (1996) *Neurotoxicol Teratol.* 18(4):499-504. Robbins *et al.* (1994) *Dementia* 5(5):266-81.

The Consortium to Establish a Registry for Alzheimer's Disease (CERAD) Clinical and Neuropsychological Tests include a verbal fluency test, Boston Naming Test, Mini Mental State Exam (MMSE), ten-item word recall, constructional praxis, and delayed recall of praxis items. The test typically takes 20-30 minutes and is convenient and effective at assessing and tracking cognitive decline. See Morris *et al.* (1988) *Psychopharmacol Bull.* 24(4):641-52; Morris *et al.* (1989) *Neurology* 39(9):1159-65; and Welsh *et al.* (1991) *Arch Neurol.* 48(3):278-81.

The Mini Mental State Exam (MMSE) developed in 1975 by Folestein *et*  
30 *al.*, is a brief test of mental status and cognition function. It does not measure other mental phenomena and is therefore not a substitute for a full mental status examination. It is useful in screening for dementia and its scoring system is helpful in following progress over time. The Mini-Mental State Examination MMSE is widely used, with

norms adjusted for age and education. It can be used to screen for cognitive impairment, to estimate the severity of cognitive impairment at a given point in time, to follow the course of cognitive changes in an individual over time, and to document an individual's response to treatment. Cognitive assessment of subjects may require formal

5 neuropsychological testing, with follow-up testing separated by nine months or more (in humans). See Folstein *et al.* (1975) *J Psychiatr Res.* 12:196-198; Cockrell and Folstein (1988) *Psychopharm Bull.* 24(4):689-692; and Crum *et al.* (1993) *J. Am. Med. Association* 18:2386-2391.

The Seven-Minute Screen is a screening tool to help identify patients who

10 should be evaluated for Alzheimer's disease. The screening tool is highly sensitive to the early signs of AD, using a series of questions to assess different types of intellectual functionality. The test consists of 4 sets of questions that focus on orientation, memory, visuospatial skills and expressive language. It can distinguish between cognitive changes due to the normal aging process and cognitive deficits due to dementia. See

15 Solomon and Pendlebury (1998) *Fam Med.* 30(4):265-71, Solomon *et al.* (1998) *Arch Neurol.* 55(3):349-55.

Individuals presently suffering from Alzheimer's disease can be

20 recognized from characteristic dementia, as well as the presence of risk factors described above. In addition, a number of diagnostic tests are available for identifying individuals who have AD. These include measurement of CSF tau and A $\beta$ 42 levels. Elevated tau and decreased A $\beta$ 42 levels signify the presence of AD. Individuals suffering from Alzheimer's disease can also be diagnosed by ADRDA criteria as discussed in the Examples section.

25 C. Treatment Regimes and Dosages

In prophylactic applications, pharmaceutical compositions or medicaments are administered to a patient susceptible to, or otherwise at risk of, Alzheimer's disease in an amount sufficient to eliminate or reduce the risk, lessen the severity, or delay the onset of the disease, including biochemical, histologic and/or behavioral symptoms of the disease, its complications and intermediate pathological phenotypes presenting during development of the disease. In therapeutic applications, compositions or medicaments are administered to a patient suspected of, or already suffering from such a disease in an amount sufficient to cure, or at least partially arrest,

the symptoms of the disease (biochemical, histologic and/or behavioral), including its complications and intermediate pathological phenotypes in development of the disease.

In some methods, administration of an immunological reagent (*e.g.*, an A $\beta$  antibody) reduces or eliminates myocognitive impairment in patients that have not yet developed characteristic Alzheimer's pathology. An amount adequate to accomplish therapeutic or prophylactic treatment is defined as a therapeutically- or prophylactically-effective dose. In both prophylactic and therapeutic regimes, reagents are usually administered in several dosages until a sufficient immune response has been achieved. The term "immune response" or "immunological response" includes the development of a humoral (antibody mediated) and/or a cellular (mediated by antigen-specific T cells or their secretion products) response directed against an antigen in a recipient subject. Such a response can be an active response, *i.e.*, induced by administration of immunogen, or a passive response, *i.e.*, induced by administration of immunoglobulin or antibody or primed T-cells. Typically, the immune response is monitored and repeated dosages are given if the immune response starts to wane.

Effective doses of the compositions of the present invention, for the treatment of the above described conditions vary depending upon many different factors, including means of administration, target site, physiological state of the patient, whether the patient is human or an animal, other medications administered, and whether treatment is prophylactic or therapeutic. Usually, the patient is a human but non-human mammals including transgenic mammals can also be treated. Treatment dosages need to be titrated to optimize safety and efficacy.

For passive immunization with an antibody, the dosage ranges from about 0.0001 to 100 mg/kg, and more usually 0.01 to 5 mg/kg (*e.g.*, 0.02 mg/kg, 0.25 mg/kg, 0.5 mg/kg, 0.75 mg/kg, 1 mg/kg, 2 mg/kg, etc.), of the host body weight. For example dosages can be 1 mg/kg body weight or 10 mg/kg body weight or within the range of 1-10 mg/kg, preferably at least 1 mg/kg. In another example, dosages can be 0.5 mg/kg body weight or 15 mg/kg body weight or within the range of 0.5-15 mg/kg, preferably at least 1 mg/kg. In another example, dosages can be 0.5 mg/kg body weight or 20 mg/kg body weight or within the range of 0.5-20 mg/kg, preferably at least 1 mg/kg. In another example, dosages can be 0.5 mg/kg body weight or 30 mg/kg body weight or within the range of 0.5-30 mg/kg, preferably at least 1 mg/kg. In a preferred example, dosages can be about 30 kg/mg. In a particularly preferred example, the A $\beta$  antibody is administered

intraperitoneally at a dose range from approximately 0.3 mg/kg to approximately 30 mg/kg.

Doses intermediate in the above ranges are also intended to be within the scope of the invention. Subjects can be administered such doses daily, on alternative 5 days, weekly or according to any other schedule determined by empirical analysis. An exemplary treatment involves administration in multiple dosages over a prolonged period, for example, of at least six months. Additional exemplary treatment regimes involve administration once per every two weeks or once a month or once every 3 to 6 months. Exemplary dosage schedules include 1-10 mg/kg or 15 mg/kg on consecutive 10 days, 30 mg/kg on alternate days or 60 mg/kg weekly. In some methods, two or more monoclonal antibodies with different binding specificities are administered simultaneously, in which case the dosage of each antibody administered falls within the ranges indicated.

Antibody is usually administered on multiple occasions. Intervals 15 between single dosages can be weekly, monthly or yearly. Intervals can also be irregular as indicated by measuring blood levels of antibody to A $\beta$  in the patient. In some methods, dosage is adjusted to achieve a plasma antibody concentration of 1-1000  $\mu$ g/ml and in some methods 25-300  $\mu$ g/ml. Alternatively, antibody can be administered as a sustained release formulation, in which case less frequent administration is required. 20 Dosage and frequency vary depending on the half-life of the antibody in the patient. In general, humanized antibodies show the longest half-life, followed by chimeric antibodies and nonhuman antibodies.

The dosage and frequency of administration can vary depending on whether the treatment is prophylactic or therapeutic. In prophylactic applications, 25 compositions containing the present antibodies or a cocktail thereof are administered to a patient not already in the disease state to enhance the patient's resistance. Such an amount is defined to be a "prophylactic effective dose." In this use, the precise amounts again depend upon the patient's state of health and general immunity, but generally range from 0.1 to 25 mg per dose, especially 0.5 to 2.5 mg per dose. A relatively low 30 dosage is administered at relatively infrequent intervals over a long period of time. Some patients continue to receive treatment for the rest of their lives.

In asymptomatic patients, treatment can begin at any age (e.g., 10, 20, 30). Usually, however, it is not necessary to begin treatment until a patient reaches 40,

50, 60 or 70. Treatment typically involves multiple dosages over a period of time. Treatment can be monitored by assaying antibody levels over time. If the response falls, a booster dosage is indicated. In the case of potential Down's syndrome patients, treatment can begin antenatally by administering therapeutic reagent to the mother or  
5 shortly after birth.

In therapeutic applications, a relatively high dosage (*e.g.*, from about 1 to 200 mg of antibody per dose, with dosages of from 5 to 25 mg being more commonly used) at relatively short intervals is sometimes required until progression of the disease is reduced or terminated, and preferably until the patient shows partial or complete  
10 amelioration of symptoms of disease. Thereafter, the patient can be administered a prophylactic regime.

Doses for nucleic acids encoding antibodies range from about 10 ng to 1 g, 100 ng to 100 mg, 1  $\mu$ g to 10 mg, or 30-300  $\mu$ g DNA per patient. Doses for infectious viral vectors vary from 10-100, or more, virions per dose.

15 Therapeutic reagents can be administered by parenteral, topical, intravenous, oral, subcutaneous, intraarterial, intracranial, intraperitoneal, intranasal or intramuscular means for prophylactic and/or therapeutic treatment. The most typical route of administration of an immunogenic agent is subcutaneous although other routes can be equally effective. The next most common route is intramuscular injection. This  
20 type of injection is most typically performed in the arm or leg muscles. In some methods, reagents are injected directly into a particular tissue where deposits have accumulated, for example intracranial injection. Intramuscular injection or intravenous infusion are preferred for administration of antibody. In some methods, particular therapeutic antibodies are injected directly into the cranium. In some methods,  
25 antibodies are administered as a sustained release composition or device, such as a Medipad<sup>TM</sup> device.

Immunological reagents of the invention can optionally be administered in combination with other agents that are at least partly effective in treatment of amyloidogenic disease. In certain embodiments, a humanized antibody of the invention  
30 (*e.g.*, humanized A $\beta$  antibody) is administered in combination with a second immunogenic or immunologic agent. For example, a humanized A $\beta$  antibody of the invention can be administered in combination with another humanized A $\beta$  antibody. In other embodiments, a humanized A $\beta$  antibody is administered to a patient who has

received or is receiving an A $\beta$  vaccine. In the case of Alzheimer's and Down's syndrome, in which amyloid deposits occur in the brain, agents of the invention can also be administered in conjunction with other agents that increase passage of the agents of the invention across the blood-brain barrier. Agents of the invention can also be  
5 administered in combination with other agents that enhance access of the therapeutic agent to a target cell or tissue, for example, liposomes and the like. Coadministering such agents can decrease the dosage of a therapeutic agent (*e.g.*, therapeutic antibody or antibody chain) needed to achieve a desired effect.

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#### D. Pharmaceutical Compositions

Immunological reagents of the invention are often administered as pharmaceutical compositions comprising an active therapeutic agent, *i.e.*, and a variety of other pharmaceutically acceptable components. See *Remington's Pharmaceutical Science* (15th ed., Mack Publishing Company, Easton, Pennsylvania (1980)). The  
15 preferred form depends on the intended mode of administration and therapeutic application. The compositions can also include, depending on the formulation desired, pharmaceutically-acceptable, non-toxic carriers or diluents, which are defined as vehicles commonly used to formulate pharmaceutical compositions for animal or human administration. The diluent is selected so as not to affect the biological activity of the  
20 combination. Examples of such diluents are distilled water, physiological phosphate-buffered saline, Ringer's solutions, dextrose solution, and Hank's solution. In addition, the pharmaceutical composition or formulation may also include other carriers, adjuvants, or nontoxic, nontherapeutic, nonimmunogenic stabilizers and the like.

Pharmaceutical compositions can also include large, slowly metabolized  
25 macromolecules such as proteins, polysaccharides such as chitosan, polylactic acids, polyglycolic acids and copolymers (such as latex functionalized Sepharose (TM), agarose, cellulose, and the like), polymeric amino acids, amino acid copolymers, and lipid aggregates (such as oil droplets or liposomes). Additionally, these carriers can function as immunostimulating agents (*i.e.*, adjuvants).

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For parenteral administration, agents of the invention can be administered as injectable dosages of a solution or suspension of the substance in a physiologically acceptable diluent with a pharmaceutical carrier that can be a sterile liquid such as water oils, saline, glycerol, or ethanol. Additionally, auxiliary substances, such as wetting or

emulsifying agents, surfactants, pH buffering substances and the like can be present in compositions. Other components of pharmaceutical compositions are those of petroleum, animal, vegetable, or synthetic origin, for example, peanut oil, soybean oil, and mineral oil. In general, glycols such as propylene glycol or polyethylene glycol are 5 preferred liquid carriers, particularly for injectable solutions. Antibodies can be administered in the form of a depot injection or implant preparation, which can be formulated in such a manner as to permit a sustained release of the active ingredient. An exemplary composition comprises monoclonal antibody at 5 mg/mL, formulated in aqueous buffer consisting of 50 mM L-histidine, 150 mM NaCl, adjusted to pH 6.0 with 10 HCl.

Typically, compositions are prepared as injectables, either as liquid solutions or suspensions; solid forms suitable for solution in, or suspension in, liquid vehicles prior to injection can also be prepared. The preparation also can be emulsified or encapsulated in liposomes or micro particles such as polylactide, polyglycolide, or 15 copolymer for enhanced adjuvant effect, as discussed above (see Langer, *Science* 249: 1527 (1990) and Hanes, *Advanced Drug Delivery Reviews* 28:97 (1997)). The agents of this invention can be administered in the form of a depot injection or implant preparation, which can be formulated in such a manner as to permit a sustained or pulsatile release of the active ingredient.

Additional formulations suitable for other modes of administration include oral, intranasal, and pulmonary formulations, suppositories, and transdermal applications. For suppositories, binders and carriers include, for example, polyalkylene glycols or triglycerides; such suppositories can be formed from mixtures containing the active ingredient in the range of 0.5% to 10%, preferably 1%-2%. Oral formulations 20 include excipients, such as pharmaceutical grades of mannitol, lactose, starch, magnesium stearate, sodium saccharine, cellulose, and magnesium carbonate. These compositions take the form of solutions, suspensions, tablets, pills, capsules, sustained release formulations or powders and contain 10%-95% of active ingredient, preferably 25%-70%.

Topical application can result in transdermal or intradermal delivery. Topical administration can be facilitated by co-administration of the agent with cholera toxin or detoxified derivatives or subunits thereof or other similar bacterial toxins (See Glenn *et al.*, *Nature* 391, 851 (1998)). Co-administration can be achieved by using the 25

components as a mixture or as linked molecules obtained by chemical crosslinking or expression as a fusion protein.

Alternatively, transdermal delivery can be achieved using a skin patch or using transferosomes (Paul *et al.*, *Eur. J. Immunol.* 25:3521 (1995); Cevc *et al.*, 5 *Biochem. Biophys. Acta* 1368:201-15 (1998)).

#### E. Monitoring the Course of Treatment

The invention provides methods of monitoring treatment in a patient suffering from or susceptible to Alzheimer's, *i.e.*, for monitoring a course of treatment 10 being administered to a patient. The methods can be used to monitor both therapeutic treatment on symptomatic patients and prophylactic treatment on asymptomatic patients. In particular, the methods are useful for monitoring passive immunization (*e.g.*, measuring level of administered antibody).

Some methods involve determining a baseline value, for example, of an 15 antibody level or profile in a patient, before administering a dosage of agent, and comparing this with a value for the profile or level after treatment. A significant increase (*i.e.*, greater than the typical margin of experimental error in repeat measurements of the same sample, expressed as one standard deviation from the mean of such measurements) in value of the level or profile signals a positive treatment 20 outcome (*i.e.*, that administration of the agent has achieved a desired response). If the value for immune response does not change significantly, or decreases, a negative treatment outcome is indicated.

In other methods, a control value (*i.e.*, a mean and standard deviation) of 25 level or profile is determined for a control population. Typically the individuals in the control population have not received prior treatment. Measured values of the level or profile in a patient after administering a therapeutic agent are then compared with the control value. A significant increase relative to the control value (*e.g.*, greater than one standard deviation from the mean) signals a positive or sufficient treatment outcome. A lack of significant increase or a decrease signals a negative or insufficient treatment 30 outcome. Administration of agent is generally continued while the level is increasing relative to the control value. As before, attainment of a plateau relative to control values is an indicator that the administration of treatment can be discontinued or reduced in dosage and/or frequency.

In other methods, a control value of the level or profile (*e.g.*, a mean and standard deviation) is determined from a control population of individuals who have undergone treatment with a therapeutic agent and whose levels or profiles have plateaued in response to treatment. Measured values of levels or profiles in a patient are 5 compared with the control value. If the measured level in a patient is not significantly different (*e.g.*, more than one standard deviation) from the control value, treatment can be discontinued. If the level in a patient is significantly below the control value, continued administration of agent is warranted. If the level in the patient persists below the control value, then a change in treatment may be indicated.

10           In other methods, a patient who is not presently receiving treatment but has undergone a previous course of treatment is monitored for antibody levels or profiles to determine whether a resumption of treatment is required. The measured level or profile in the patient can be compared with a value previously achieved in the patient after a previous course of treatment. A significant decrease relative to the previous 15 measurement (*i.e.*, greater than a typical margin of error in repeat measurements of the same sample) is an indication that treatment can be resumed. Alternatively, the value measured in a patient can be compared with a control value (mean plus standard deviation) determined in a population of patients after undergoing a course of treatment. Alternatively, the measured value in a patient can be compared with a control value in 20 populations of prophylactically treated patients who remain free of symptoms of disease, or populations of therapeutically treated patients who show amelioration of disease characteristics. In all of these cases, a significant decrease relative to the control level (*i.e.*, more than a standard deviation) is an indicator that treatment should be resumed in a patient.

25           The tissue sample for analysis is typically blood, plasma, serum, mucous fluid or cerebrospinal fluid from the patient. The sample is analyzed, for example, for levels or profiles of antibodies to A $\beta$  peptide, *e.g.*, levels or profiles of humanized antibodies. ELISA methods of detecting antibodies specific to A $\beta$  are described in the Examples section. In some methods, the level or profile of an administered antibody is 30 determined using a clearing assay, for example, in an *in vitro* phagocytosis assay, as described herein. In such methods, a tissue sample from a patient being tested is contacted with amyloid deposits (*e.g.*, from a PDAPP mouse) and phagocytic cells bearing Fc receptors. Subsequent clearing of the amyloid deposit is then monitored.

The existence and extent of clearing response provides an indication of the existence and level of antibodies effective to clear A<sub>β</sub> in the tissue sample of the patient under test.

The antibody profile following passive immunization typically shows an immediate peak in antibody concentration followed by an exponential decay. Without a 5 further dosage, the decay approaches pretreatment levels within a period of days to months depending on the half-life of the antibody administered.

In some methods, a baseline measurement of antibody to A<sub>β</sub> in the patient is made before administration, a second measurement is made soon thereafter to determine the peak antibody level, and one or more further measurements are made at 10 intervals to monitor decay of antibody levels. When the level of antibody has declined to baseline or a predetermined percentage of the peak less baseline (*e.g.*, 50%, 25% or 10%), administration of a further dosage of antibody is administered. In some methods, peak or subsequent measured levels less background are compared with reference levels previously determined to constitute a beneficial prophylactic or therapeutic treatment 15 regime in other patients. If the measured antibody level is significantly less than a reference level (*e.g.*, less than the mean minus one standard deviation of the reference value in population of patients benefiting from treatment) administration of an additional dosage of antibody is indicated.

Additional methods include monitoring, over the course of treatment, any 20 art-recognized physiologic symptom (*e.g.*, physical or mental symptom) routinely relied on by researchers or physicians to diagnose or monitor amyloidogenic diseases (*e.g.*, Alzheimer's disease). For example, one can monitor cognitive impairment. The latter is a symptom of Alzheimer's disease and Down's syndrome but can also occur without other characteristics of either of these diseases. For example, cognitive impairment can 25 be monitored by determining a patient's score on the Mini-Mental State Exam in accordance with convention throughout the course of treatment.

#### F. Kits

The invention further provides kits for performing the monitoring 30 methods described above. Typically, such kits contain an agent that specifically binds to antibodies to A<sub>β</sub>. The kit can also include a label. For detection of antibodies to A<sub>β</sub>, the label is typically in the form of labeled anti-idiotypic antibodies. For detection of antibodies, the agent can be supplied prebound to a solid phase, such as to the wells of a

microtiter dish. Kits also typically contain labeling providing directions for use of the kit. The labeling may also include a chart or other correspondence regime correlating levels of measured label with levels of antibodies to A $\beta$ . The term labeling refers to any written or recorded material that is attached to, or otherwise accompanies a kit at any time during its manufacture, transport, sale or use. For example, the term labeling encompasses advertising leaflets and brochures, packaging materials, instructions, audio or videocassettes, computer discs, as well as writing imprinted directly on kits.

The invention also provides diagnostic kits, for example, research, detection and/or diagnostic kits (*e.g.*, for performing *in vivo* imaging). Such kits typically contain an antibody for binding to an epitope of A $\beta$ , preferably within residues 1-10. Preferably, the antibody is labeled or a secondary labeling reagent is included in the kit. Preferably, the kit is labeled with instructions for performing the intended application, for example, for performing an *in vivo* imaging assay. Exemplary antibodies are those described herein.

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#### G. *In vivo* Imaging

The invention provides methods of *in vivo* imaging amyloid deposits in a patient. Such methods are useful to diagnose or confirm diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease, or susceptibility thereto. For example, the methods can be used on a patient presenting with symptoms of dementia. If the patient has abnormal amyloid deposits, then the patient is likely suffering from Alzheimer's disease. The methods can also be used on asymptomatic patients. Presence of abnormal deposits of amyloid indicates susceptibility to future symptomatic disease. The methods are also useful for monitoring disease progression and/or response to treatment in patients who have been previously diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease.

The methods work by administering a reagent, such as antibody that binds to A $\beta$ , to the patient and then detecting the agent after it has bound. Preferred antibodies bind to A $\beta$  deposits in a patient without binding to full length APP polypeptide. Antibodies binding to an epitope of A $\beta$  within amino acids 1-10 are particularly preferred. In some methods, the antibody binds to an epitope within amino acids 7-10 of A $\beta$ . Such antibodies typically bind without inducing a substantial clearing response. In other methods, the antibody binds to an epitope within amino acids 1-7 of A $\beta$ . Such antibodies typically bind and induce a clearing response to A $\beta$ . However, the clearing

response can be avoided by using antibody fragments lacking a full-length constant region, such as Fabs. In some methods, the same antibody can serve as both a treatment and diagnostic reagent. In general, antibodies binding to epitopes C-terminal to residue 10 of A $\beta$  do not show as strong a signal as antibodies binding to epitopes within residues 5 1-10, presumably because the C-terminal epitopes are inaccessible in amyloid deposits. Accordingly, such antibodies are less preferred.

Diagnostic reagents can be administered by intravenous injection into the body of the patient, or directly into the brain by intracranial injection or by drilling a hole through the skull. The dosage of reagent should be within the same ranges as for 10 treatment methods. Typically, the reagent is labeled, although in some methods, the primary reagent with affinity for A $\beta$  is unlabelled and a secondary labeling agent is used to bind to the primary reagent. The choice of label depends on the means of detection. For example, a fluorescent label is suitable for optical detection. Use of paramagnetic labels is suitable for tomographic detection without surgical intervention. Radioactive 15 labels can also be detected using PET or SPECT.

Diagnosis is performed by comparing the number, size, and/or intensity of labeled loci, to corresponding baseline values. The base line values can represent the mean levels in a population of undiseased individuals. Baseline values can also represent previous levels determined in the same patient. For example, baseline values 20 can be determined in a patient before beginning treatment, and measured values thereafter compared with the baseline values. A decrease in values relative to baseline signals a positive response to treatment.

#### H. Clinical Trials

25 A single-dose phase I trial can be performed to determine safety in humans. A therapeutic agent (*e.g.*, an antibody of the invention) is administered in increasing dosages to different patients starting from about 0.01 the level of presumed efficacy, and increasing by a factor of three until a level of about 10 times the effective mouse dosage is reached.

30 A phase II trial can further performed to determine therapeutic efficacy. Patients with early to mid Alzheimer's Disease defined using Alzheimer's disease and Related Disorders Association (ADRDA) criteria for probable AD are selected. Suitable patients score in the 12-26 range on the Mini-Mental State Exam (MMSE). Other

selection criteria are that patients are likely to survive the duration of the study and lack complicating issues such as use of concomitant medications that may interfere. Baseline evaluations of patient function are made using classic psychometric measures, such as the MMSE, and the ADAS, which is a comprehensive scale for evaluating patients with  
5 Alzheimer's Disease status and function. These psychometric scales provide a measure of progression of the Alzheimer's condition. Suitable qualitative life scales can also be used to monitor treatment. Disease progression can also be monitored by MRI. Blood profiles of patients can also be monitored including assays of immunogen-specific antibodies and T-cells responses.

10 Following baseline measurements, patients begin receiving treatment. They are randomized and treated with either therapeutic agent or placebo in a blinded fashion. Patients are monitored at least every six months. Efficacy is determined by a significant reduction in progression of a treatment group relative to a placebo group.

15 A second phase II trial can be performed to evaluate conversion of patients from non-Alzheimer's Disease early memory loss, sometimes referred to as age-associated memory impairment (AAMI) or mild cognitive impairment (MCI), to probable Alzheimer's disease as defined as by ADRDA criteria. Patients with high risk for conversion to Alzheimer's Disease are selected from a non-clinical population by screening reference populations for early signs of memory loss or other difficulties  
20 associated with pre-Alzheimer's symptomatology, a family history of Alzheimer's Disease, genetic risk factors, age, sex, and other features found to predict high-risk for Alzheimer's Disease. Baseline scores on suitable metrics including the MMSE and the ADAS together with other metrics designed to evaluate a more normal population are collected. These patient populations are divided into suitable groups with placebo  
25 comparison against dosing alternatives with the agent. These patient populations are followed at intervals of about six months, and the endpoint for each patient is whether or not he or she converts to probable Alzheimer's Disease as defined by ADRDA criteria at the end of the observation.

30 The present invention will be more fully described by the following non-limiting examples.

## EXAMPLES

The following Sequence identifiers are used throughout the Examples section to refer to immunoglobulin chain variable region nucleotide and amino acid sequences.

Table 4: Sequence Identifier Key

	<u>VL nucleotide sequence</u>	<u>VL amino acid sequence</u>	<u>VH nucleotide sequence</u>	<u>VH amino acid sequence</u>
Murine 3D6	SEQ ID NO:1	SEQ ID NO:2	SEQ ID NO:3	SEQ ID NO:4
Humanized 3D6v1	SEQ ID NO:5	SEQ ID NO:6	SEQ ID NO:7	SEQ ID NO:8
Humanized 3D6v2	SEQ ID NO:9	SEQ ID NO:10	SEQ ID NO:11	SEQ ID NO:12
Murine 10D5	SEQ ID NO:13	SEQ ID NO:14	SEQ ID NO:15	SEQ ID NO:16
Murine 12B4	SEQ ID NO:17	SEQ ID NO:18	SEQ ID NO:19	SEQ ID NO:20
humanized 12B4v1	SEQ ID NO:21	SEQ ID NO:22	SEQ ID NO:23	SEQ ID NO:24
humanized 12B4v2	SEQ ID NO:17	SEQ ID NO:18		SEQ ID NO:25
humanized 12B4v3	SEQ ID NO:17	SEQ ID NO:18		SEQ ID NO:26
Murine 12A11	SEQ ID NO:27	SEQ ID NO:28	SEQ ID NO:29	SEQ ID NO:30
Humanized 12A11v1	SEQ ID NO:31	SEQ ID NO:32	SEQ ID NO:33	SEQ ID NO:34
Humanized 12A11v2	SEQ ID NO:31	SEQ ID NO:32		SEQ ID NO:35
Humanized 12A11v2.1	SEQ ID NO:31	SEQ ID NO:32		SEQ ID NO:36
Humanized 12A11v3	SEQ ID NO:31	SEQ ID NO:32		SEQ ID NO:37
Humanized 12A11v3.1	SEQ ID NO:31	SEQ ID NO:32	SEQ ID NO:38	SEQ ID NO:39
Humanized 12A11v4.1-8	SEQ ID NO:31	SEQ ID NO:32		SEQ ID NOS:40-55
Murine 15C11	SEQ ID NO:56	SEQ ID NO:57	SEQ ID NO:58	SEQ ID NO:59

As used herein, an antibody or immunoglobulin sequence comprising a VL and/or VH sequence as set forth in any one of SEQ ID NOS: 1-59 can comprise (or

encode) either the full sequence or can comprise the mature sequence (*i.e.*, mature peptide without the signal or leader peptide).

**Example I. In vivo and ex vivo Efficacy of Anti-A $\beta$  Antibodies mAb 3D6 and**

**5 10D5**

The 3D6 and 10D5 antibodies were tested for a variety of activities important in amyloidosis. Experimental details can be found in WO 02/46237, the entire content of which is incorporated herein by reference.

In a first experiment, 10D5 was shown to inhibit accumulation of A $\beta$  in  
10 the brains of heterozygotic PDAPP mice (8.5 to 10.5 months of age). mAbs 266, 21F12  
and 2H3, and a mouse polyclonal antibody (pab) directed to A $\beta$ 1-42, were included for  
comparison purposes. Test antibodies were administered intraperitoneally (weekly at a  
dose of about ~10 mg/kg). Control mice received diluent alone (PBS). Antibody titers  
were monitored and all titers were significant with the exception of 2H3 which was  
15 eliminated from the study. Treatment was continued over a six-month period at which  
point the mice were euthanized in order to perform biochemical and pathological  
studies.

A $\beta$  and APP levels were assayed by ELISA in guanidine extracts from  
20 hippocampal, cortical, and cerebellar regions of the brains of the animals. The pAb and  
mAb 10D5 significantly reduced A $\beta$  in the cortex (65%, p<0.05 and 55%, p=0.0433,  
respectively). The pAb and mAbs 10D5 and 266 also reduced A $\beta$  in the hippocampus,  
50%, p=0.0055, 33%, p=0.0543 and 21%, p=0.0990, respectively. In the cerebellum,  
the pAb and mAb 266 showed significant reductions of the levels of total A $\beta$  (43%,  
p=0.0033 and 46%, p=0.0184, respectively) and 10D5 showed a near significant  
25 reduction (29%, p=0.0675). In summary, A $\beta$  levels were significantly reduced in the  
cortex, hippocampus and cerebellum in animals treated with the polyclonal antibody  
raised against A $\beta$ 1-42. To a lesser extent monoclonal antibodies raised to the amino  
terminal and midregion of A $\beta$ 1-42, specifically amino acids 1-16 and 13-28, also  
showed significant treatment effects. The effect was specific for A $\beta$  as APP levels were  
30 virtually unchanged in all of the treated compared to the control animals (also  
determined by ELISA).

Immunohistochemical analysis of brain sections (hippocampal, cortical,  
and cerebellar regions) were also performed to determine the effect of antibody

administration on the extent of A $\beta$ -immunoreactive plaques in the brains of the animals. Relative to control-treated animals, the pAb and mAb 10D5 reduced plaque burden by 93% and 81% ( $p<0.005$ ), respectively. 21F12 also appeared to have a relatively modest effect on plaque burden.

5           In a second study, treatment with 10D5, 3D6 and 16C11 were compared. Control groups received either PBS or an irrelevant isotype-matched antibody (TM2a). The mice were older (11.5-12 month old heterozygotes) than in the previous study, otherwise the experimental design was the same. The mAb 10D5 again reduced plaque burden by greater than 80% ( $p=0.003$ ) relative to the controls. Moreover, mAb 3D6  
10 produced an 86% ( $p=0.003$ ) reduction in plaque burden whereas mAb 16C11 failed to have any effect on plaque burden. Similar findings were obtained with A $\beta$ 42 ELISA measurements. These results demonstrate that passive administration of the N-terminal A $\beta$  antibodies, 3D6 and 10D5, reduces the extent of plaque deposition in a mouse model of Alzheimer's disease.

15           It was further shown that the peripherally administered antibodies entered the CNS with the concentration of antibody in the brain parenchyma representing 0.1% of the antibody concentration in serum, indicating that the antibodies can enter the brain where they can directly trigger amyloid clearance. Plaque clearance was demonstrated to be *via* a mechanism of Fc-receptor mediated phagocytosis. The antibodies were  
20 assayed in an *ex vivo* phagocytosis assay described in detail in WO 02/46237 (see also Bard *et al.* (2000) *Nat. Med.* 6:916-919). Briefly, primary microglial cells obtained from the cerebral cortices of neonate DBA/2N mice (1-3 days) were cultured in 24-well plates with unfixed cryostat sections of either PDAPP mouse or human AD brains (post-mortem interval < 3hr) mounted onto poly-lysine coated round glass coverslips.

25           Antibodies were added at a concentration of 5  $\mu$ g/ml final for 1 hour prior to addition of cells. After 24 hours of incubation, cultures were fixed, permeabilized and immunostained for A $\beta$  peptide. Exogenous microglial cells were visualized by a nuclear stain (DAPI). For A $\beta$  quantitation, the cultures were urea extracted and proteins immunoblotted using the A $\beta$ 1-42 pAb.

30           Data from the *ex vivo* assays showed that antibodies binding to epitopes within residues 1-7 of A $\beta$  (*e.g.*, mAbs 3D6 (1-5), 10D5 (3-7) and 22C8 (3-7)) both bind and clear amyloid deposits, whereas antibodies binding to epitopes within amino acids 4-10 (*e.g.*, mAbs 6E10 (5-10) and 14A8 (4-10)) bind without clearing amyloid deposits.

Antibodies binding to epitopes C-terminal to residue 10 (*e.g.*, mAbs 18G11 (10-18), 266 (16-24), 22D12 (18-21), 2G3 (-40), 16C11 (-40/-42) and 21F12 (-42)) neither bind nor clear amyloid deposits.

The ability of several of the A $\beta$  antibodies to induce phagocytosis in the  
5 *ex vivo* assay was further compared to their ability to reduce *in vivo* plaque burden in  
passive transfer studies. Although 16C11 and 21F12 bound to aggregated synthetic A $\beta$   
peptide with high avidity, these antibodies did not react with  $\beta$ -amyloid plaques in  
unfixed brain sections, did not trigger phagocytosis in the *ex vivo* assay, and were not  
efficacious at clearing plaques *in vivo*. mAbs 10D5 and 3D6, as well as the pAb, were  
10 active by all three measures. These results show that efficacy *in vivo* is due, at least in  
part, to direct antibody mediated clearance of the plaques within the CNS, and that the  
*ex vivo* assay is predictive of this *in vivo* efficacy.

**Example II: Efficacy of mAb 3D6, 10D5 and 12B4 on various neuropathological  
15 endpoints in PDAPP mice**

PDAPP mice were passively immunized with either mAb 12B4 or mAb  
3D6, both of the IgG1 isotype. 12B4 was tested at 10 mg/kg. mAb 3D6 was tested at  
three different doses, 10 mg/kg, 1 mg/kg and 10 mg/kg once a month (1 x 4). An unrelated  
IgG1 antibody (TY 11/15) and PBS injections served as controls. Active immunization  
20 with A $\beta$  peptide served as a comparison. Between 20 and 35 animals were analyzed in each  
group. The neuropathological endpoints assayed include amyloid burden and neuritic  
burden.

The extent of the frontal cortex occupied by amyloid deposits was determined  
by immunostaining with 3D6 followed by quantitative image analysis. Each of the  
25 immunotherapies (*i.e.*, administration with 12B4, 3D6 (all doses tested) and A $\beta$  peptide) led  
to a significant reduction of frontal cortex amyloid burden (*i.e.*, compared to control Ab  
exhibiting a 12% reduction).

Previously, it had been observed that 10D5 was unable to significantly  
reduce neuritic burden, suggesting that antibodies of the IgG1 isotype, but not other  
30 isotypes, are able to reduce neuritic burden in animal models of Alzheimer's disease (data  
not shown). Neuritic burden following passive immunization with 12B4 versus 3D6 (both  
of the IgG1 isotype) was thus determined in PDAPP mice by immunostaining of brain  
sections with anti-APP antibody 8E5 followed by quantitative image analysis. Neuritic

dystrophy is indicated by the appearance of dystrophic neurites (*e.g.*, neurites with a globular appearance) located in the immediate vicinity of amyloid plaques. The results of this analysis indicated that treatment with 12B4 most significantly reduced neuritic burden. By contrast, 3D6 did not significantly reduce neuritic burden.

5           When the 12B4 and 3D6 antibodies were tested in the *ex vivo* phagocytosis assay described *supra*, both antibodies cleared amyloid deposits in PDAPP brain sections, and the microglial cells showed numerous phagocytic vesicles containing A $\beta$ . Similar results were obtained with AD brain sections; 3D6 (a humanized version) and chimeric 12B4 induced phagocytosis of AD plaques, while control IgG1 was ineffective.  
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### Example III. Mouse 3D6 Variable Region Sequences

The VL and VH regions of 3D6 from hybridoma cells were cloned by RT-PCR and 5' RACE using mRNA from hybridoma cells and standard cloning methodology. The nucleotide sequences encoding the VL and VH regions of 3D6 are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 1 and 3, respectively (and in Tables 5 and 7, respectively). The amino acid sequences of the VL and VH regions of 3D6 are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 2 and 4, respectively (and in Tables 6 and 8, respectively, and in Figures 1 and 2, respectively). From N-terminal to C-terminal, both light and heavy chains comprise the domains FR1, CDR1, FR2, CDR2, FR3, CDR3 and FR4. The assignment of amino acids to each domain is in accordance with the numbering convention of Kabat *et al.*, *supra*.

Table 5: Mouse 3D6 VL Nucleotide Sequence

25       ATGATGAGTCCTGCCAGTTCTGTAGTGCTCTGGATTGGAAACCAACGG  
TTATGTTGTGATGACCCAGACTCCACTCACTTGTGGTTACCATTGGACAACCAGCCT  
CCATCTTGCAGTCAGTCAGAGCCTCTTAGATAGTGTGGAAAGACATATTGAAT  
TGGTTGTTACAGAGGCCAGGCCAGTCTCAAAGCGCCAATCTATCTGGTGTCTAACT  
GGACTCTGGAGTCCCTGACAGGTTCACTGGCAGTGGATCAGGGACAGATTTACACTGA  
30       AAATCAGCAGAATAAGAGGCTGAGGATTGGACTTTATTATTGCTGGCAAGGTACACAT  
TTTCCTCGGACGTTGGTGGAGGCACCAAGCTGGAAATCAA (SEQ ID NO:1)

\*Leader peptide is underlined

Table 6: Mouse 3D6 VL Amino Acid Sequence

mmspaqflfllvlwiretnngYVVMTQTPLTLSVTIGQPASISCKSSQS11sdgktyln  
WLLQRPGQSPKRLIY1vskldsGVPDRFTGSGSGTDFTLKISRIEAEDLGLYYCwqgth  
fprtFGGGTKLEIK (SEQ ID NO:2)

\*Leader peptide and CDRs are in lower case.

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Table 7: Mouse 3D6 VH Nucleotide Sequence

ATGAACCTCGGGCTCAGCTGATTTCCCTGCTTAAAGGTGTCCAGTGTGA  
AGTGAAGCTGGTGGAGTCTGGGGAGGCTTAGTGAAGCCTGGAGCGTCTGAAACTCT  
CCTGTGCAGCCTCTGGATTCACTTCAGTAACTATGGCATGTCTTGGGTTGCCAGAAT  
10 TCAGACAAGAGGCTGGAGTGGTTGCATCCATTAGGAGTGGTGGTAGAACCTACTA  
TTCAGACAATGTAAAGGGCCGATTCACCACTCCAGAGAGAACGCAAGAACACCCTGT  
ACCTGCAAATGAGTAGTCTGAAGTCTGAGGACACGGCCTGTATTATTGTGTAGATAT  
GATCACTATAGTGGTAGCTCCGACTACTGGGCCAGGGCACCCT (SEQ ID NO:3)

\*Leader peptide is underlined.

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Table 8: Mouse 3D6 VH amino acid sequence

mnfglslif1vlv1kgvqcEVKLVESGGGLVKPGASLKLSCAASGFTFSnygmsWVRQN  
SDKRLEWVA*sirsgggryy*sdnvkgRFTISRENAKNTLYLQMSSLKSEDTALYYCVRY  
dhysgssdyWGQGTTVTVSS (SEQ ID NO:4)

20 \*Leader peptide and CDRs in lower case.

For expression of a chimeric 3D6 antibody, the variable heavy and light chain regions were re-engineered to encode splice donor sequences downstream of the respective VDJ or VJ junctions, and cloned into the mammalian expression vector pCMV-h $\gamma$ 1 (SEQ ID NOs:91 and 92) for the heavy chain, and pCMV-h $\kappa$ 1 (SEQ ID NOs:93 and 94) for the light chain (see e.g., Maeda et al. (1991) *Hum. Antibod. Hybridomas.* 2:124-134). These vectors encode human  $\gamma$ 1 and C $\kappa$  constant regions as exonic fragments downstream of the inserted variable region cassette. Following sequence verification, the heavy chain and light chain expression vectors were co-transfected into COS cells. Conditioned media was collected 48 hrs post transfection and assayed by western blot analysis for antibody production or ELISA for A $\beta$  binding. Chimeric 3D6 was found to bind to A $\beta$  with high avidity, similar to that demonstrated by murine 3D6. Furthermore, an ELISA based competitive inhibition assay revealed that the chimeric 3D6 and the murine 3D6 antibody competed equally with biotinylated-3D6 binding to A $\beta$ . Moreover, both murine and chimeric 3D6 were effective at clearing A $\beta$  plaques in the *ex vivo* assay, described *supra*.

**Example IV. Mouse 10D5 Variable Region Sequences**

The VL and VH regions of 10D5 from hybridoma cells were cloned by RT-PCR using 5' RACE procedures. The nucleotide sequences encoding the VL and VH regions of 10D5 are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 13 and 15, respectively (and in Tables 9 and 11, respectively). The amino acid sequences of the VL and VH regions of 10D5 are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 14 and 16, respectively (and in Tables 10 and 12, respectively, and in Figures 3 and 4, respectively). From N-terminal to C-terminal, both light and heavy chains comprise the domains FR1, CDR1, FR2, CDR2, FR3, CDR3 and FR4. The assignment of amino acids to each domain is in accordance with the numbering convention of Kabat *et al.*, *supra*.

Table 9: Mouse 10D5 VL DNA sequence

ATGAAGTTGCCTGTTAGGCTGGTACTGATGTTCTGGATTCCCTGCTTCCAGCAGTGA  
 15 TGTTTGATGACCAAACCTCCACTCTCCCTGCCTGTCAGTCTGGAGATCAAGCCTCCA  
 TCTCTTGAGATCTAGTCAGAACATTATACATAGTAATGGAAACACCTATTAGAATGG  
 TACCTGCAGAAACCAGGCCAGTCTCAAAGCTCCTGATCTACAAAGTTCCAACCGATT  
 TTCTGGGTCCCAGACAGGTTCAGTGGCAGTGGATCAGGGACAGATTTCACACTCAAGA  
 20 TCAAGAAAGTGGAGGCTGAGGATCTGGAAATTATTACTGCTTCAAGGTTCACATGTT  
 CCGCTCACGTTCGGTGCTGGGACCAAGCTGGAGCTGGAA (SEQ ID NO:13)

\*Leader peptide underlined

Table 10: Mouse 10D5 VL Amino Acid Sequence

mklpvrl1lvlmfwipasssdv1mtqtpls1pvslgdqasiscRSSQNIHSNGNTYLEw  
 25 y1qkpgqspklliyKVSNRFSgvpdrfsgsgsgtdftlkikkveaedlgiyyCFQGSHV  
 PLTfgagtkleleradaaptvsifppstrd (SEQ ID NO:14)

\*Leader peptide underlined and CDRs are in upper case.

Table 11: Mouse 10D5 VH DNA sequence.

ATGGACAGGCTTACTCCTCATTCCTGCTGCTGATTGTCCCTGCATATGTCCTGTCCCAGGCTACTCTGAAAGAGTCTGGCCCTGGAATATTGCAGTCCTCCAGACCCTCAGTCTGA  
 CTTGTTCTTCTCTGGGTTTCAGTGAGCACTCTGGTATGGGAGTGAGCTGGATTCTGAGCCTCAGTCTGA  
 5 CAGCCTTCAGGAAAGGGCTGGAGTGGCTGGCACACATTACTGGGATGATGACAAGCGCTATAACCCATCCCTGAAGAGCCGGCTACAATCTCCAAGGATACCTCCAGAAAGCAGGTATTCCCTCAAGATCACCAGTGTGGACCCTGCAGACTGCCACATACTACTGTGTTCGAAGGCCATTACTCCGGTACTAGTCGATGCTATGGACTACTGGGGTCAAGGAACCTCAGTCACCGTCTCCTCA (SEQ ID NO:15)

10 \*Leader peptide underlined.

Table 12: Mouse 10D5 VH Amino Acid Sequence

mdrltssflllivpayvlsqat1kesgpgilqssqt1sltcsfsgfs1sTSGMGVSwir  
 qpsgkglewlaHIYWDDDKNPSLKSrltiskdtsrkqvflkitsvdpatattyccvR  
 15 RPITPVLDAMDYwgqgtsvtvssakttppsvyplardpggs (SEQ ID NO:16)

\*Leader peptide underlined and CDRs are in upper case.

Chimeric 10D5 antibody expression vectors can be engineered as described for 3D6 *supra* and co-transfected into COS cells. Conditioned media is assayed by western blot analysis for antibody production or ELISA for A $\beta$  binding.

#### Example V. Mouse 12B4 Variable Region Sequences

The VL and VH regions of 12B4 from hybridoma cells were cloned by RT-PCR and 5' RACE using mRNA from hybridoma cells and standard cloning methodology. The nucleotide sequences encoding the VL and VH regions of 12B4 are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 17 and 19, respectively (and in Tables 13 and 15, respectively). The amino acid sequences of the VL and VH regions of 12B4 are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 18 and 20, respectively (and in Tables 14 and 16, respectively, and in Figures 5 and 6, respectively). From N-terminal to C-terminal, both light and heavy chains comprise the domains FR1, CDR1, FR2, CDR2, FR3, CDR3 and FR4. The assignment of amino acids to each domain is in accordance with the numbering convention of Kabat *et al.*, *supra*.

Table 13: Mouse 12B4 VL DNA sequence

35 ATGAAGTTGCCTGTTAGGCTGTTGGTGCTGATGTTCTGGATTCCCTGCTTCCAGCAGTGA  
 TGTGTTGATGACCCAAACTCCACTCTCCCTGCCTGTCAGTCTGGAGATCAAGCCTCCA  
 TCTCTTGAGATCTAGTCAGAACATGTGTTCATAGTAATGGAAACACCTATTAGAATGG

TACCTGCAGAAACCAGGCCAGTCTCCAAAGCTCCTGATCTACAAAGTTCCAACCGATT  
 TTCTGGGTCCCAGACAGGTCAGTGGCAGTGGATCAGGGACAGATTCAACTCAAGA  
 TCAGCAGAGTGGAGGCTGAGGATCTGGAGTTATTACTGCTTCAAGGTTCACATGTT  
 CCGCTCACGTTCGGTGCTGGGACCAAGCTGGAGCTGAAAC (SEQ ID NO: 17)

5 \*Leader peptide underlined

Table 14: Mouse 12B4 VL amino acid sequence

mklpvrl1l1v1mfwi passsDVLMQTPLSLPVSLGDQASISCrssqnivhsngntyleW  
 10 YLQKPGQSPKLLIYkvsnrfSGVPDRFSGSGSGTDFTLKISRVEAEDLGVYYCfqgshv  
 pltFGAGTKLELK (SEQ ID NO: 18)

\* Leader peptide and CDRs in lower case.

Table 15: Mouse 12B4 VH DNA sequence.

ATGGACAGGCTTACTCCTCATTCCTGCTGCTGATTGTCCTGCATATGTCCTGTCCCCA  
 15 GGTTACTCTGAAAGAGTCTGGCCCTGGGATATTGCAGCCCTCCCAGACCCTCAGTCTGA  
 CTTGTTCTTCTCTGGGTTTCACTGAGCACTAATGGTATGGGTGTGAGCTGGATTCTGT  
 CAGCCTTCAGGAAAGGGTCTGGAGTGGCTGGCACACATTACTGGGATGAGGACAAGCG  
 CTATAACCCATCCCTGAAGAGCCGGCTACAATCTCCAAGGATAACCTCTAACAAATCAGG  
 TATTCTCAAGATCACCAATGTGGACACTGCTGATACTGCCACATACTACTGTGCTCGA  
 20 AGGAGGATCATCTATGATGTTGAGGACTACTTGACTACTGGGCAAGGCACCACTCT  
 CACAGTCTCCTCAG (SEQ ID NO: 19)

\*Leader peptide underlined.

Table 16: Mouse 12B4 VH amino acid sequence

mdrltssflllivpayvlsqVTLKESGPGILQPSQTLSLCSFSGFSLStngmgvsWIR  
 25 QPSGKGLEWLAh iywdedkrynp slksRLTISKDTNNQVFLKITNVDTADTATYYCAR  
 rr iiydvedyfdyWGQGTTLT VSS (SEQ ID NO: 20)

\* Leader peptide and CDRs in lower case.

Chimeric 12B4 antibody expression vectors were engineered as described  
 30 for 3D6 *supra* and co-transfected into COS cells. Conditioned media was assayed by western blot analysis for antibody production or ELISA for A $\beta$  binding. Chimeric 12B4 was found to bind to A $\beta$  with high avidity, similar to that demonstrated by chimeric 3D6. Furthermore, an ELISA based competitive inhibition assay revealed that the chimeric 12B4 and the murine 12B4 antibody competed equally with biotinylated  
 35 murine and chimeric 3D6, as well as 10D5, in binding to A $\beta$ .

**Example VI. 3D6 Humanization**

In order to identify key structural framework residues in the murine 3D6 antibody, a three-dimensional model was generated based on the closest murine antibodies for the heavy and light chains. For this purpose, an antibody designated 5 1CR9 was chosen as a template for modeling the 3D6 light chain (PDB ID: 1CR9, Kanyo *et al.*, *supra*), and an antibody designated 1OPG was chosen as the template for modeling the heavy chain. (PDB ID: 1OPG Kodandapani *et al.*, *supra*). Amino acid sequence alignment of 3D6 with the light chain and heavy chain of these antibodies revealed that, with the exception of CDR3 of the heavy chain, the 1CR9 and 1OPG 10 antibodies share significant sequence homology with 3D6. In addition, the CDR loops of the selected antibodies fall into the same canonical Chothia structural classes as do the CDR loops of 3D6, again excepting CDR3 of the heavy chain. Therefore, 1CR9 and 1OPG were initially selected as antibodies of solved structure for homology modeling of 3D6.

15 A first pass homology model of 3D6 variable region based on the antibodies noted above was constructed using the Look & SegMod Modules GeneMine (v3.5) software package. This software was purchased under a perpetual license from Molecular Applications Group (Palo Alto, CA). This software package, authored by Drs. Michael Levitt and Chris Lee, facilitates the process of molecular modeling by 20 automating the steps involved in structural modeling a primary sequence on a template of known structure based on sequence homology. Working on a Silicon Graphics IRIS workstation under a UNIX environment, the modeled structure is automatically refined by a series of energy minimization steps to relieve unfavorable atomic contacts and optimize electrostatic and van der Walls interactions.

25 A further refined model was built using the modeling capability of QUANTA®. A query of the PDB database with CDR3 of the heavy chain of 3D6 identified 1qkz as most homologous and having the identical number of residues as 3D6. Hence, CDR3 of the heavy chain of 3D6 was modeled using the crystal structure of 1qkz as template.

30 Suitable human acceptor antibody sequences were identified by computer comparisons of the amino acid sequences of the mouse variable regions with the sequences of known human antibodies. The comparison was performed separately for the 3D6 heavy and light chains. In particular, variable domains from human antibodies

whose framework sequences exhibited a high degree of sequence identity with the murine VL and VH framework regions were identified by query of the Kabat Database using NCBI BLAST (publicly accessible through the National Institutes of Health NCBI internet server) with the respective murine framework sequences.

5 Two candidate sequences were chosen as acceptor sequences based on the following criteria: (1) homology with the subject sequence; (2) sharing canonical CDR structures with the donor sequence; and (3) not containing any rare amino acid residues in the framework regions. The selected acceptor sequence for VL is Kabat ID Number (KABID) 019230 (Genbank Accession No. S40342), and for VH is KABID  
10 045919 (Genbank Accession No. AF115110). First versions of humanized 3D6 antibody utilize these selected acceptor antibody sequences.

As noted *supra*, the humanized antibodies of the invention comprise variable framework regions substantially from a human immunoglobulin (acceptor immunoglobulin) and complementarity determining regions substantially from a mouse 15 immunoglobulin (donor immunoglobulin) termed 3D6. Having identified the complementarity determining regions of 3D6 and appropriate human acceptor immunoglobulins, the next step was to determine which, if any, residues from these components to substitute to optimize the properties of the resulting humanized antibody. The criteria described *supra* were used to select residues for substitution.

20 Figures 1 and 2 depict alignments of the original murine 3D6 VL and VH, respectively, with the respective version 1 of the humanized sequence, the corresponding human framework acceptor sequence and, lastly, the human germline V region sequence showing highest homology to the human framework acceptor sequence. The shaded residues indicate the canonical (solid fill), vernier (dotted outline), packing 25 (bold), and rare amino acids (bold italics), and are indicated on the figure. The asterisks indicate residues backmutated to murine residues in the human acceptor framework sequence, and CDR regions are shown overlined. In the 3D6 VL region, the following residues were selected as candidates for backmutation: residue 1 - rare mouse, possibly contacting CDR; residue 2 - canonical/CDR contacting residue; and residues 36 and 46 - 30 packing residues. In the 3D6 VH region, the following residues were selected as candidates for backmutation or substitution: residues 40 and 42 - rare for mouse, replace with human; residue 49, CDR contacting, veneer; residue 93 - packing residue; and residue 94 - canonical residue.

A first version of humanized 3D6 (h3D6 v1) was generated having each of the substitutions indicated in Figures 1 and 2. PCR-mediated assembly was used to generate the humanized VL and VH chains. The nucleotide sequences encoding the h3D6 v1 VL and VH regions are set forth as SEQ ID NOs:5 and 7, respectively. The 5 amino acid sequences of the h3D6 v1 VL and VH regions are set forth as SEQ ID NOs:6 and 8, respectively. A summary of the changes incorporated into version 1 of humanized 3D6 VH and VL is presented in Table 17.

Table 17. Summary of changes in humanized 3D6.v1

Changes	VL (112 residues)	VH (119 residues)
Hu->Mu: Framework	4/112	3/119 (1 canonical, 1 packing)
CDR1	6/16	3/5
CDR2	4/7	7/14
CDR3	5/8	4/10
Hu->Mu	19/112 (17%)	17/119 (14%)
Mu->Hu: Framework	13/112	14/119
Backmutation notes	1. I2V which is a canonical position. 2. Y36L which is a packing residue and also lies under the CDRs 3. L46R which is a packing residue and lies beneath the CDRs	4. S49A Vernier/beneath the CDRs. 5. A93V which is a packing and vernier zone residue 6. K94R which is a canonical residue
Acceptor notes	7. KABID 019230/Genbank Acc#S40342 8. Hu κ LC subgroup II 9. CDRs from same canonical structural group as donor (m3D6) L1=class 4 L2=class 1 L3=class 1 10. Unknown specificity	11. KABID045919/Genbank Acc#AF115110 12. Hu HC subgroup III 13. CDRs from same canonical structural group as donor (m3D6) H1=class 1 H2=class 3 14. Recognizes capsular polysaccharide of Neisseria meningitidis
Acceptor Germline	15. VH3-23	16. A3 & A19

A second version of humanized 3D6 was created having each of the substitutions indicated for version 1, except for the D→ Y substitution at residue 1. Substitution at this residue was performed in version 1 because the residue was identified as a CDR interacting residue. However, substitution deleted a residue which 5 was rare for human immunoglobulins at that position. Hence, a version was created without the substitution. Moreover, non-germline residues in the heavy chain framework regions were substituted with germline residues, namely, H74 = S, H77 = T and H89 = V. The nucleotide sequences encoding the h3D6 v2 VL and VH regions are set forth as SEQ ID NOs:9 and 11, respectively. The amino acid sequences of the h3D6 10 v2 VL and VH regions are set forth as SEQ ID NOs:10 and 12, respectively.

#### **Example VII. 12B4 Humanization**

In order to identify key structural framework residues in the murine 12B4 antibody, a three-dimensional model was generated based on the closest murine 15 antibodies for the heavy and light chains. For this purpose, an antibody designated 2PCP was chosen as a template for modeling the 12B4 light chain (PDB ID: 2PCP, Lim *et al.* (1998) *J. Biol. Chem.* 273:28576), and an antibody designated 1ETZ was chosen as the template for modeling the heavy chain. (PDB ID: 1ETZ, Guddat *et al.* (2000) *J. Mol. Biol.* 302:853). Amino acid sequence alignment of 12B4 with the light chain and 20 heavy chain of these antibodies revealed that the 2PCP and 1ETZ antibodies share significant sequence homology with 12B4. In addition, the CDR loops of the selected antibodies fall into the same canonical Chothia structural classes as do the CDR loops of 12B4. Therefore, 2PCP and 1ETZ were initially selected as antibodies of solved structure for homology modeling of 12B4.

Homology modeling and selection of acceptor sequences were performed 25 as described for 3D6, *supra*. The selected acceptor sequence for VL is Kabat ID Number (KABID) 005036 (Genbank Accession No. X67904), and for VH is KABID 000333 (Genbank Accession No. X54437). First versions of humanized 12B4 antibody utilize these selected acceptor antibody sequences.

As noted *supra*, the humanized antibodies of the invention comprise 30 variable framework regions substantially from a human immunoglobulin (acceptor immunoglobulin) and complementarity determining regions substantially from a mouse immunoglobulin (donor immunoglobulin) termed 12B4. Having identified the

complementarity determining regions of 12B4 and appropriate human acceptor immunoglobulins, the next step was to determine which, if any, residues from these components to substitute to optimize the properties of the resulting humanized antibody.

The amino acid alignment of the reshaped light chain V region is shown  
5 in Figure 5A-B. The choice of the acceptor framework (KABID 005036) is from the same human subgroup as that which corresponds to the murine V region, has no rare framework residues, and the CDRs belong to the same Chothia canonical structure groups. A single back mutation (I2V) is dictated as this residue falls into the canonical classification. Version 1 of the reshaped VL is fully germline.

10 The amino acid alignment of the reshaped heavy chain V region is shown in Figure 6A-B. The choice for the acceptor framework (KABID 000333) is from the same human subgroup as that which corresponds to the murine V region, has no rare framework residues, and the CDRs belong to the same Chothia canonical groups. Structural modeling of the murine VH chain, in conjunction with the amino acid  
15 alignment of KABID 000333 to the murine sequence dictates 9 back-mutations in version 1 (v1) of the reshaped heavy chain: L2V, V24F, G27F, I29L, I48L, G49A, V67L, V71K, & F78V (Kabat numbering). The back mutations are highlighted by asterisks in the amino-acid alignment shown in Figure 6A-B.

20 Of the 9 back mutations, 4 are dictated by the model because the residues are canonical residues (V24F, G27F, I29L, & V71K, indicated by solid filled boxes), *i.e.* framework residues which may contribute to antigen binding by virtue of proximity to CDR residues. There are no back mutations necessary in the next most important class of residues, the interface residues involved in VH-VL packing interactions (indicated by open boxes). The remaining 5 residues targeted for back mutation (L2V, I48L, G49A,  
25 V67L, F78V, Kabat numbering) all fall into the vernier class (indirect contribution to CDR conformation, dense stippled boxes in Figure 6A-B).

Version 2 was designed to retain the lowest number of non-CDR murine residues. The L2V backmutation introduces a non-germline change (when using VH4-61 as the germline reference), and this backmutation is eliminated in version 2 of the  
30 heavy chain to restore it to germ line. The remaining 4 vernier class backmutations are also restored in version 2 of the heavy chain (I48L, G49A, V67L, F78V). Version 2 thus contain a total of 5 non-CDR murine residues (1 in VL, and 4 in VH). Version 3 was designed to restore 2 of the 5 vernier residues (I48L, & F78V), which the model

indicates may be the more important vernier residues. Hence version 3 contains a total of 7 non CDR murine residues.

A summary of the changes incorporated into versions 1, 2 and 3 of humanized 12B4 are presented in Table 18.

5 Table 18. Summary of changes in humanized 12B4.v1

Changes	VL (111 residues)	VH (123 residues)
Hu->Mu: Framework	1/111	9/123
CDR1	8/16	7/7
CDR2	3/7	8/16
CDR3	6/8	10/13
Total Hu->Mu	18/111 (16%)	34/123 (28%, v2=23%)
Mu->Hu: Framework	10/111	16/123
Backmutation notes	17. I2V: Canonical: I2V†.  	18. Canonical: V24F†, G27F†, I29L†, & V71K†  19. Packing: none  20. Vernier: L2V*, I48L#, G49A*, V67L*, F78V#
Acceptor notes	21. KABID 005036/Genbank Acc#-x67904 22. CDRs from same canonical structural group as donor mouse; 23. anti-cardiolipin/ss DNA autoantibody from SLE patient	24. KABID 000333/Genbank Acc#x54437 25. CDRs from same canonical structural group as donor mouse; 26. rheumatoid factor mAb from RA patient

†backmutate in v1, v2 and v3.

\*backmutate in v1 only, eliminate in v2 and v3.

#backmutate in v1, eliminate in v2, restore in v3.

10 Kabat numbering for the 12B4 VL and VH chains is indicated in Figures 5 and 6, respectively. The nucleotide sequences encoding humanized 12B4VL (version 1) and 12B4VH (version 1) are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 21 and 23, respectively. The amino acid sequences of humanized 12B4VL (version 1) and 12B4VH (version 1) are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 22 and 24, respectively. The amino acid sequences for h12B4  
15 v2 VH and h12B4 v3 VH are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 25 and 26, respectively.

**Example VIII: Functional Activities of Humanized 3D6 Antibodies**

Functional testing of humanized 3D6v1 was conducted using conditioned media from COS cells transiently transfected with fully chimeric antibody, a mixture of either chimeric heavy chain + humanized light chain, or chimeric light chain + humanized heavy chain, and lastly, fully humanized antibody. The conditioned media was tested for binding to aggregated A $\beta$ 1-42 by ELISA assay. The humanized antibody showed good activity within experimental error, and displayed binding properties indistinguishable from the chimeric 3D6 reference sample. Similar testing of humanized 3D6v2 showed that the antibody had A $\beta$  binding properties nearly identical to those of 3D6v1. 3D6v2 was also shown to have a virtually identical epitope map as compared to the murine 3D6 antibody. Humanized 3D6v1 antibody recognized A $\beta$  in cryostat brain sections prepared from PDAPP mice (immunohistochemistry performed as described *supra*). In identical experiments, h3D6v2 stained PDAPP and AD brain sections in a manner similar to 3D6v1 (*e.g.*, highly decorated plaques).

The ability of h3D6 antibodies v1 and v2 to compete with murine 3D6 was measured by ELISA using a biotinylated 3D6 antibody. Competitive binding analysis revealed that h3D6v1, h3D6v2, and a chimeric 3D6 all competed with m3D6 to bind A $\beta$ . h3D6v1 and h3D6v2 were identical in their ability to compete with 3D6 to A $\beta$ . The 10D5 antibody was used as a negative control, as it has a different binding epitope than 3D6. BIACore analysis also revealed a high affinity of h3D6v1 and h3D6v2 for A $\beta$ . In comparison to 3D6, which has a Kd of 0.88 nM, both h3D6v1 and h3D6v2 had about a 2 to 3 fold less binding affinity, measured at 2.06 nM and 2.24 nM for h3D6v1 and h3D6v2, respectively. The ELISA competitive binding assay revealed an approximate 6-fold less binding affinity for h3D6v1 and h3D6v2. Typically humanized antibodies lose about 3-4 fold in binding affinity in comparison to their murine counterparts. Therefore, a loss of about 3 fold (average of ELISA and BIACore results) for h3D6v1 and h3D6v2 is within the accepted range.

The ability of h3D6v2 to stimulate microglial cells was tested in the *ex vivo* phagocytosis assay (described *supra*). h3D6v2 was as effective as chimeric 3D6 at inducing phagocytosis of A $\beta$  aggregates from PDAPP mouse brain tissue. IgG was used as a negative control because it is incapable of binding A $\beta$  and therefore cannot induce phagocytosis.

<sup>125</sup>I labeled h3D6v2, m3D6, and antibody DAE13 were each IV-injected into 14 individual PDAPP mice in separate experiments. Mice were sacrificed after day 7 and perfused for further analysis. Their brain regions were dissected and measured for <sup>125</sup>I activity in specific brain regions. Radiolabel activity in the brain was compared with activity in serum samples. The data showed that h3D6v2 localized to the brain, and was particularly concentrated in the hippocampal region where A $\beta$  is known to aggregate. Brain counts for m3D6 and DAE13 were comparable to h3D6v2. All three antibodies were able to cross the blood barrier as demonstrated by A $\beta$  plaque binding *in vivo*.

10    **Example IX: Efficacy of Various N-Terminal A $\beta$  Antibodies**

Binding of the monoclonal antibodies 6C6, 10D5, 2C1, 12B4, 3A3 and 12A11 to aggregated synthetic A $\beta$ 1-42 was performed by ELISA, as described in Schenk, *et al.* (*Nature* 400:173 (1999)). Soluble A $\beta$ 1-42 (in this example) refers to the synthetic A $\beta$ 1-42 peptide sonicated in dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO). Serial dilutions of the antibodies at 20  $\mu$ g/ml were incubated with 50,000 cpm [<sup>125</sup>I]A $\beta$ 1-42 (190  $\mu$ Ci/ $\mu$ mol; labeling with Iodogen™ reagent, Pierce) overnight at room temperature. Fifty microliters of a slurry containing 75 mg/ml protein A Sepharose (Amersham Pharmacia) and 200  $\mu$ g of rabbit anti-mouse IgG (H+L) (Jackson ImmunoResearch) were incubated with the diluted antibodies for 1 hour at room temperature, washed twice, and counted on a Wallac gamma counter (Perkin-Elmer). All steps were performed in RIA buffer consisting of 10 mM Tris, 0.5 M NaCl, 1 mg/ml gelatin, and 0.5% Nonidet P-40, pH 8.0. Results from the avidity study are shown below in Table 19.

Table 19.

<u>Antibody</u>	<u>Epitope</u>	<u>Isotype</u>	<u>ED<sub>50</sub> on aggregated A<math>\beta</math>1-42, pM</u>	<u>% Capture of soluble A<math>\beta</math>1-42</u>
6C6	A $\beta$ 3-7	IgG1	40	1
10D5 <sup>†</sup>	A $\beta$ 3-7	IgG1	53	1
2C1	A $\beta$ 3-7	IgG2a	333	1
12B4 <sup>†</sup>	A $\beta$ 3-7	IgG2a	667	8
3A3	A $\beta$ 3-7	IgG2b	287	1
12A11 <sup>†</sup>	A $\beta$ 3-7	IgG1	233	30

<sup>†</sup>Antibodies 10D5 and 12B4 are described in detail in WO 02/46237 and WO 03/077858, respectively. The 12A11 antibody is described in detail in International Patent Application Serial No. PCT/US2004/017514.

5 \* As a comparison, the antibody 266 at 10  $\mu$ g/ml would capture 70% of A $\beta$ 1-42.

All of the antibodies tested exhibited a high avidity for aggregated A $\beta$ 1-42 (< 1nM). Moreover, antibodies 12B4 and 12A11 appreciably captured soluble A $\beta$ 1-42 at antibody concentrations of 20  $\mu$ g/ml. As shown in Table 19, the IgG1 antibody 12A11 captured A $\beta$ 1-42 more efficiently than the IgG2a antibody 12B4, while the IgG1 antibodies 6C6 and 10D5, the IgG2a antibody 2C1 and the IgG2b antibody 3A3 did not appreciably capture soluble A $\beta$ .

As a measure of their ability to trigger Fc-mediated plaque clearance, the antibodies were also compared in the *ex vivo* phagocytosis assay using sections of brain tissue from PDAPP mice, as described *supra*. Irrelevant IgG1 and IgG2a antibodies, having no reactivity toward A $\beta$  or other components of the assay, were used as isotype-matched negative controls. The two IgG2a antibodies, 12B4 and 2C1 reduced A $\beta$  levels efficiently (73% for 12B4 and 69% for 2C1; P < 0.001) with 12A11 and 3A3 showing somewhat less, albeit statistically significant, efficiency (48% for 12A11, P < 0.05 and 59% for 3A3, P < 0.001). The 10D5 and 6C6 antibodies did not significantly reduce A $\beta$  levels. The performance of 12A11 in the *ex vivo* phagocytosis assay may be improved upon conversion to the IgG2a isotype which is a preferred isotype for microglial phagocytosis.

25 **Example X. In vivo Efficacy of Various N-Terminal Antibodies: Reduction of AD Neuropathology**

To determine the *in vivo* efficacy of various N-terminal A $\beta$  antibodies, 12A11, 12B4 and 10D5 were administered to separate groups of mice at 10 mg/kg by

weekly intraperitoneal injection for 6 months as described in Bard *et al.* (2000) *Nat. Med.* 6:916. At the end of the study, total levels of cortical A $\beta$  were determined by ELISA. Each of the antibodies significantly reduced total A $\beta$  levels compared with the PBS control ( $P < 0.001$ ), *i.e.*, 12B4 showed a 69% reduction, 10D5 showed a 52% 5 reduction, and 12A11 showed a 31% reduction.

The level of neuritic dystrophy was then examined in sections of brain tissue from the above-mentioned mice to determine the association between plaque clearance and neuronal protection. Brain image analyses examining the percentage of frontal cortex occupied by neuritic dystrophy was determined for individual animals and 10 expressed as the percentage of neuritic dystrophy relative to the mean of the control (set at 100%). The data showed that antibodies 10D5 and 12A11 were not effective at reducing neuritic dystrophy whereas 12B4 significantly reduced neuritic dystrophy (12B4,  $P < 0.05$ ; ANOVA followed by post hoc Dunnett's test). Experiments 15 demonstrating the binding properties and *in vivo* efficacy of antibody 12A11 are also described in Bard, *et al.* *PNAS* 100:2023 (2003), incorporated by reference herein.

In summary, all antibodies had significant avidity for aggregated A $\beta$  and triggered plaque clearance in an *ex vivo* assay. The IgG2a isotype (affinity for Fc receptors, in particular, Fc $\gamma$ RI) appears to be an important attribute for both clearance of A $\beta$  and protection against neuritic dystrophy. The antibody 12A11 (IgG1) captured 20 soluble monomeric A $\beta$ 1-42 more efficiently than 12B4 (IgG2a) or 10D5 (IgG1) but was not as effective at reducing neuritic dystrophy. Enhanced efficacy in reducing plaque burden and reducing neuritic dystrophy may be achieved by engineering antibodies to have an isotype which maximally supports phagocytosis. Particularly efficacious antibodies bind to epitopes within the N-terminus of A $\beta$ .

25 In a further study, a 12A11 IgG2a isotype antibody was tested for the ability to reduce AD-like neuropathology in PDAPP mice. 12-13 month old PDAPP mice were injected weekly for 6 months with 3mg/kg 12A11 antibody. At the end of six months, animals were sacrificed and brain samples were analyzed for various end points including, A $\beta$  burden, neuritic burden and synaptophysin levels. Administration of 30 12A11 antibody significantly reduced the level of amyloid burden in PDAPP brain samples. Administration of 12A11 antibodies also significantly reduced the degree of neuritic dystrophy (abnormal neuronal processes surrounding plaques). Likewise 12A11

administration significantly protected against the loss of synaptophysin (measure of synaptic integrity).

In further experiments 12A11 IgG2a isotype antibody was tested in *ex vivo* phagocytosis assays for the ability to clear amyloid. 12A11 antibody administration resulted in complete clearance of parenchymal plaque deposition and also resulted in partial clearing of vascular amyloid. The results were dose dependent.

#### **Example XI. Capture Ability of Various A<sub>β</sub> Antibodies**

Previous studies have shown that it is possible to predict *in vivo* efficacy of various A<sub>β</sub> antibodies in reducing AD-associated neuropathology (*e.g.*, plaque burden) by the ability of antibodies to bind plaques *ex vivo* (*e.g.*, in PDAPP or AD brain sections) and/or trigger plaque clearance in an *ex vivo* phagocytosis assay (Bard *et al.* (2000) *Nat. Med.* 6:916-919). The correlation supports the notion that Fc-dependent phagocytosis by microglial cells and/or macrophages is important to the process of plaque clearance *in vivo*. However, it has also been reported that antibody efficacy can also be obtained *in vivo* by mechanisms that are independent of Fc interactions (Bacskaï *et al.* (2002) *J. Neurosci.* 22:7873-7878). Studies have indicated that an antibody directed against the midportion of A<sub>β</sub>, which cannot recognize amyloid plaques, appears to bind to soluble A<sub>β</sub> and reduce plaque deposition (DeMattos *et al.* (2001) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 98:8850-8855).

The ability of various antibodies to capture soluble A<sub>β</sub> was further assayed as follows. Various concentrations of antibody (up to 10 µg/ml) were incubated with 50,000 CPM of <sup>125</sup>I-A<sub>β</sub> 1-42 (or <sup>125</sup>I-A<sub>β</sub> 1-40). The concentration of antibody sufficient to bind 25% of the radioactive counts was determined in a capture radioimmunoassay. Certain antibodies did not bind 25% of the counts at the highest concentration tested (*i.e.*, 10 µg/ml). For such antibodies, the percentage of counts bound at 10 µg/ml was determined. The 12A11 bound 20% of the radioactive counts (*i.e.*, <sup>125</sup>I-A<sub>β</sub>) at 10 µg/ml. This was greater than the amount bound by two other A<sub>β</sub> 3-7 antibodies tested, namely 12B4 and 10D5 (binding 7% and 2% at 10 µg/ml, respectively). Thus, of the N-terminal (epitope A<sub>β</sub> 3-7) antibodies tested, 12A11 exhibited the most appreciable ability to capture A<sub>β</sub>. At 3 µg/ml, 15C11 bound 25% of the radioactive counts (*i.e.*, <sup>125</sup>I-A<sub>β</sub>). This capture was significant as compared to other

monoclonal antibodies raised against central A $\beta$  fragments (e.g., A $\beta$  13-28 or A $\beta$  17-28). The range of concentrations necessary to capture 25% of the labeled A $\beta$  for such antibodies is from about 0.1  $\mu$ g/ml to 10  $\mu$ g/ml with some antibodies capturing less than 25% labeled A $\beta$  (e.g., 10-20%) when assayed at 10  $\mu$ g/ml.

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**Example XII. In vitro Efficacy of Various A $\beta$  Antibodies: Binding Soluble, Oligomeric A $\beta$**

In this Example, the A $\beta$  preparation was derived from synthetic A $\beta$  oligomers substantially as follows:

- 10 (1) lyophilized A $\beta$ <sub>1-42</sub> peptide was dissolved to 1 mM in 100% hexafluoroisopropanol (HFIP) (mixed then incubated at room temperature for 1 hour) and separated into aliquots in microcentrifuge tubes (each tube containing 0.5 mg of A $\beta$ <sub>1-42</sub> peptide);
- 15 (2) the HFIP was removed by evaporation followed by lyophilization to remove residual HFIP;
- (3) the resultant A $\beta$  peptide film/residue was stored, desiccated, at -20 °C;
- (4) the A $\beta$  peptide residue was resuspended in DMSO to a final concentration of 5 mM of peptide then added to ice cold Ham's F-12 (phenol red free) culture media to bring the peptide to a final
- 20 concentration of 100  $\mu$ M;
- (5) the peptide was incubated at 4 °C for 24 h to produce synthetic A $\beta$  oligomers at an approximately 100  $\mu$ M concentration; and
- (6) the synthetic A $\beta$  oligomers were treated with peroxynitrite.

25 Portions of the A $\beta$  preparation were then each contacted with a test immunological reagent, in this case antibodies, and the A $\beta$  monomers and one or more A $\beta$  oligomers which bound to the test immunological reagent were extracted from the A $\beta$  preparation by immunoprecipitation. The various immunoprecipitates were separated by gel electrophoresis and immunoblotted with the 3D6 antibody substantially 30 as follows. Immunoprecipitate samples of Figures 7-8 were diluted in sample buffer and separated by SDS-PAGE on a 16% Tricine gel. The protein was transferred to nitrocellulose membranes, the membranes boiled in PBS, and then blocked overnight at

4°C in a solution of TBS/Tween/5% Carnation dry milk. The membranes were then incubated with 3D6, a mouse monoclonal A $\beta$  antibody to residues 1–5. For detection, the membranes were incubated with anti-mouse Ig-HRP, developed using ECL Plus, and visualized using film. Molecular mass was estimated by SeeBlue™ Plus2 molecular weight markers.

Figures 7-8 depict the results of contacting samples of the above A $\beta_{1-42}$  preparation with various A $\beta$  antibodies to determine the binding to A $\beta$  monomers, dimers, trimers, tetramers, pentamers, etc. in the A $\beta$  preparation. Figures 7-8 depict Western blots (imaged with 3D6) of immunoprecipitates of a peroxynitrite treated oligomeric A $\beta_{1-42}$  preparation contacted with various A $\beta$  antibodies. The approximate positions of A $\beta_{1-42}$  monomer, dimer, trimer and tetramer bands are indicated on the left-hand side of each figure. Indicated below each A $\beta$  antibody is the A $\beta$  epitope recognized by the antibody and CFC assay results for the antibody (see Example XIII). A “+” notation indicates an observation of increased cognition upon treatment with the antibody, a “-” notation indicates an observation of no change in cognition upon treatment with the antibody, and a “+/-” notation indicates an observation of a trend of increased cognition upon treatment with the antibody but which is not statistically significant enough to be indicated as an observation of increased cognition.

In Figures 7-8, an increased binding of an A $\beta$  antibody for A $\beta$  dimers or higher ordered oligomers in the A $\beta$  preparation, relative to the binding of the A $\beta$  antibody for A $\beta$  monomers in the A $\beta$  preparation, predicts that the A $\beta$  antibody has therapeutic efficacy for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease. Notably, A $\beta$  antibodies 3D6, 3A3, 15C11, 10D5, 12A11 and 266 exhibited preferential binding for oligomeric A $\beta$  species as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  with 12A11 exhibiting the most significant preferential binding to oligomeric A $\beta$ . Accordingly, these antibodies are predicted to have therapeutic efficacy in the treatment cognitive deficits, e.g., those associated with AD.

**Example XIII. *In vivo* Efficacy of Various A $\beta$  Antibodies: Rapid Improvement in Cognition in a Tg2576 mouse model of AD**

Wild-type and Tg2576 mice were administered a single dose of phosphate buffered saline (PBS) or treatment antibody by intraperitoneal injection.

Treatment antibodies included antibodies raised to N-terminal, central, and C-terminal portions of A $\beta$  peptide. To assess rapid improvement in cognition (*i.e.* contextual and cue-dependent memory), each mouse was administered a CFC training session immediately following treatment and a CFC testing session within 24 hours of treatment 5 (*i.e.* Day 1 post-treatment). Therapeutic efficacy was expressed both in terms of memory deficit reversal and memory impairment status. "Memory deficit reversal" was determined by comparing the freezing behavior of mAb- vs. PBS control-treated Tg2576 animals. "Memory impairment status" was determined by comparing the freezing behavior of Wild-type vs. Tg2576 mAb-treated animals.

10 The therapeutic efficacy of several mAbs raised against the N-terminus of A $\beta$  are tabulated in Table 20. The results of the CFC testing session conducted on Day 1 post-treatment indicate that the mAbs 3D6, 10D5, and 12A11 caused a rapid and significant (\*\*\*) improvement in contextual memory of Tg2576 mice relative to a control treatment (p value <0.05). Moreover, Tg2576 mice treated with the mAbs 3D6, 10D5, 15 and 12A11 exhibited no significant memory impairment (##) with respect to wild-type mice (p value > 0.1). An additional N-terminal mAb designated 3A3 (not listed in Table 20) was also found to be efficacious at reversing cognitive memory deficits in Tg2576 mice in the CFC assay. Additionally, the antibodies 6C6, 10D5, and 12B4 displayed a trend towards either memory deficit reversal (\*) or no memory impairment (#) (0.1>p 20 value>0.05).

Tg2576 mice displayed a particularly prominent, significant, and rapid improvement in contextual memory when administered the N-terminal, murine IgG2a mAb designated 12A11. For example, the 12A11 resulted in a memory deficit reversal at every dose tested (0.3, 1, 10, or 30 mg/kg) (see Figures 9A and 9B). In contrast, 25 untreated (PBS) Tg2576 mice displayed a significant deficit in contextual-dependent memory (\*) in comparison with wild-type mice (Figure 9A). However, Tg2576 mice exhibited a full and significant memory deficit reversal (#) when administered 1, 10, or 30 mg/kg (i.p.) of 12A11. The improvement in cognitive performance persisted when mice were administered lower doses (0.1 and 1 mg/kg i.p.) of 12 A11 (Figure 9B).

30 To confirm that the observed response was due to amyloid binding, Tg2576 mice were administered 30 mg/kg of IgG2a isotype control mAb raised against an unrelated antigen from *E. tennella*. As expected, Tg2576 mice treated with the control antibody exhibited profound defects in contextual memory in relation to wild-type mice.

In another experiment, the effect of the N-terminal antibodies 3D6, 12A11, and 12B4 were compared directly in a CFC assay with Tg2576 mice (see Figure 2). Consistent with previous results, 12A11 induced a prominent and significant memory deficit reversal at 1, 10, or 30 mg/kg (^). Moreover, 3D6 induced significant 5 memory deficit reversal at 30 mg/kg. In contrast, both 12B4 antibodies and an unrelated IgG1 antibody (TY 11/15) failed to induce significant memory deficit reversal.

Table 20: Effect of N-terminal A $\beta$  mAbs on Contextual Memory of Tg2576 mice

Memory Deficit Reversal per Ab dosage (mg/kg) (p value WRT PBS Control)						
mAb tested	Epitope	0.3	1	3	10	30
3D6	1-5	ND	ND	0.3680	0.1586	0.0004**
6C6-1	3-7	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.0588*
6C6-2	3-7	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.6567
10D5	3-6	ND	ND	0.7045	0.9661	0.0189**
2H3	2-7	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.3007
12B4-1	3-7	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.1122
12B4-2	3-7	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.1015
12A11-1	3-7	ND	0.02**	ND	0.0002**	0.0007**
12A11-2	3-7	0.0055**	0.001**	ND	ND	ND
Impairment Status per Ab dosage (mg/kg) (p value WRT WT mice)						
mAb tested	Epitope	0.3	1	3	10	30
3D6	1-5	ND	ND	0.0529#	0.2585##	0.8972##
6C6-1	3-7	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.0056
6C6-2	3-7	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.0088
10D5	3-6	ND	ND	0.0009	0.002	0.0752#
2H3	2-7	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.1333##
12B4-1	3-7	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.0013
12B4-2	3-7	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.756#
12A11-1	3-7	ND	0.9092##	ND	0.3838##	0.9901##
12A11-2	3-7	0.3341##	0.7773##	ND	ND	ND

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\*Dash 1 (-1) and dash 2 (-2) indicate two different animals tested.

The therapeutic efficacy of several mAbs raised against the central amino acid sequence of A $\beta$  are tabulated in Table 21. The results of the CFC testing session conducted on Day 1 post-treatment indicate that the mAbs 266 and 15C11 caused a 15 significant improvement in contextual memory (\*\*) of Tg2576 mice relative to control

treatment (p value <0.05), and no significant memory impairment (##) with respect to wild-type mice (p value > 0.1). Furthermore, the antibodies 1C2 and 2B1 displayed a trend towards memory deficit reversal (\*). (0.1>p value>0.05).

5 Table 21: Effect of Central anti-A $\beta$  mAbs on Contextual Memory in Tg2576 mice

Memory Deficit Reversal (p value WRT PBS control )					
mAb	Epitope	1 (mg/kg)	3 (mg/kg)	10 (mg/kg)	30 (mg/kg)
266	16-24	0.1269	0.0082**	0.0002**	ND
6H9	19-22	ND	ND	ND	0.1122
1C2	16-23	ND	ND	ND	0.0695*
15C11	19-22	ND	0.1246	0.1156	0.0274**
2B1	19-23	ND	ND	ND	0.0578*
Impairment Status (p value WRT WT mice)					
mAb	Epitope	1 (mg/kg)	3 (mg/kg)	10 (mg/kg)	30 (mg/kg)
266	16-24	0.1635##	0.1084##	0.8348##	ND
6H9	19-22	ND	ND	ND	0.0044
1C2	16-23	ND	ND	ND	0.0626#
15C11	19-22	ND	0.6228##	0.3399##	0.8907##
2B1	19-23	ND	ND	ND	0.4020##

The therapeutic efficacy of several mAbs raised against the carboxy terminal amino acid sequence of A $\beta$  are tabulated in Table 22. The results of the CFC testing session conducted on Day 1 post-treatment indicate that most antibodies raised 10 against the C-terminus of A $\beta$  were relatively ineffective in treating cognitive impairment at the single dose tested (30mg/kg). Of the four monoclonals tested, none produced any improvement in the contextual memory of Tg2576 mice relative to control treatment (p value >0.1), although three (2G3, 14C2, and 16C11) displayed a trend toward no impairment (#) with respect to wild-type mice (0.1>p value>0.05).

Table 22: Effect of C-terminal anti-A $\beta$  mAbs on Contextual Memory in Tg2576 mice

mAb	Epitope	Memory Deficit Reversal (p value WRT PBS control)			
		1 (mg/kg)	3 (mg/kg)	10 (mg/kg)	30 (mg/kg)
2G3	33-40	ND	ND	ND	0.7521
14C2	33-40	ND	ND	ND	0.79654
21F12	33-42	ND	ND	ND	0.2026
16C11	33-42	ND	ND	ND	0.1523
Impairment Status (p value WRT WT mice)					
mAb	Epitope	1 (mg/kg)	3 (mg/kg)	10 (mg/kg)	30 (mg/kg)
2G3	33-40	ND	ND	ND	0.0589#
14C2	33-40	ND	ND	ND	0.0719#
21F12	33-42	ND	ND	ND	0.0151
16C11	33-42	ND	ND	ND	0.0985#

In the above studies, mice displaying memory deficit reversal did so within a short time period. This rapid improvement in cognition in mice administered 5 various efficacious A $\beta$  antibodies suggests a mechanism of action that involves the capture of soluble A $\beta$  in the blood and the subsequent removal of A $\beta$  from the CNS into the plasma.

#### Example XIV. *In vivo* Efficacy of a Mouse 12A11 Antibody: Prolonged

##### 10 Improvement in Cognition of a Tg2576 mouse

The duration of the cognitive improvements that were observed within 24 hours following treatment with the N-terminal, murine 12A11 antibody (“mu12A11”) was assessed in a second extended CFC study. Tg2575 and wild-type mice were again administered a PBS control or a low dose of 12A11 antibody (1 mg/kg ip) and their 15 cognitive status was assessed by CFC assay on Day 0-1, 9-10, and 16-17 post-treatment (*i.e.* with the CFC training sessions performed on Days 0, 9, 16 and CFC testing sessions performed on Days 1, 10, and 17).

As observed in Example XIII, Tg2576 mice again displayed prominent, significant, and rapid improvement in contextual memory on Day 1 following treatment 20 with mu12A11 (see Figure 11A). For example, Tg2576 treated with mu12A11 exhibited a significant memory deficit reversal (when compared with PBS-treated Tg2576 mice) and memory impairment status that approached parity with that of wild-

type mice. These improvements in contextual memory persisted and were even more pronounced when assessed at Day 10 post-treatment. Furthermore, when assessed at Day 17 post-treatment, mu12A11 continued to display a trend towards no memory impairment. These results indicated that a single low dose of the mu12A11 N-terminal antibody can result in a durable and prolonged improvement in cognitive performance in the mouse model of AD.

**Example XV. *In vivo* Efficacy Comparison of Mouse 266 Antibody and Mouse 12A11 Antibody: Prolonged Improvement in Cognition of a Tg2576 mouse**

The duration of the cognitive improvements that were observed within 24 hours following treatment with the N-terminal, murine 12A11 antibody (“mu12A11”) was assessed in a comparison extended CFC study with mid-region, murine 266 antibody (“mu266”). Tg2575 and wild-type mice were again administered a PBS control or a low dose of 12A11 antibody (1 mg/kg ip) and their cognitive status was assessed by CFC assay on Day 0-1, 4-5, 9-10, and 16-17 post-treatment (*i.e.* with the CFC training sessions performed on Days 0, 4, 9, 16 and CFC testing sessions performed on Days 1, 5, 10, and 17).

A second group of Tg2575 and wild-type mice were administered a PBS control or a low dose of 266 antibody (3 mg/kg ip) and their cognitive status was assessed by CFC assay on Day 0-1, 4-5, 9-10, and 16-17 post-treatment (*i.e.* with the CFC training sessions performed on Days 0, 4, 9, 16 and CFC testing sessions performed on Days 1, 5, 10, and 17).

As described in Example IV, Tg2576 mice treated with both mu12A11 and mu266 displayed prominent, significant, and rapid improvement in contextual memory on Day 5 following treatment with the respected antibodies [see *Figure 11B*]. For example, both groups of Tg2576 treated with mu12A11 and mu266 exhibited a significant memory deficit reversal (when compared with PBS-treated Tg2576 mice) and memory impairment status that approached parity with that of wild-type mice. Both groups exhibited improvements in contextual memory which persisted and were even more pronounced when assessed at Day 10 post-treatment. Furthermore, when assessed at Day 17 post-treatment, both the mu12A11 and mu266 groups continued to display a trend towards no memory impairment. These results indicated that a single low dose of both the mu12A11 N-terminal antibody and the mu266 mid-terminal

antibody separately can result in a durable and prolonged improvement in cognitive performance of mouse model of AD.

In a final experiment, wild-type mice and doubly transgenic AD mice were administered a single dose of phosphate buffered saline (PBS) or treatment 5 antibody (C-terminal 266 antibody or N-terminal 12A11 antibody) by intraperitoneal injection at 24 hours prior to the training phase of the CFC. The doubly transgenic AD mice used in the experiment were approximately 18-20 months of age and displayed prominent cognitive defects, as well a dense accumulation of plaque.

The doubly transgenic AD mice displayed prominent and significant 10 reversal of contextual memory deficit when administered the N-terminal, murine IgG2a mAb designated 12A11, and this mAb was effective treatment at several low doses (3 and 10 mg/kg). (see Figure 12). Low-dose treatment with the central terminal antibody designated 266 also resulted in a significant reversal of the contextual-memory deficit in the doubly transgenic mice. In contrast, untreated (PBS) doubly transgenic mice 15 displayed a significant deficit in contextual-dependent memory (*ie.* a significant memory impairment status) in comparison with wild-type mice (\*). These results demonstrate that acute reversal of contextual memory deficits is maintained in aged mice exhibiting prominent Alzheimer's disease pathology (AD).

20 **Example XVI. Mouse 12A11 Variable Region Sequences**

The VL and VH regions of mu12A11 from hybridoma cells were cloned by RT-PCR and 5' RACE using mRNA from hybridoma cells and standard cloning methodology. The nucleotide sequences encoding the VL and VH regions of 12A11 are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 27 and 29, respectively (and in Tables 23 and 25, 25 respectively). The amino acid sequences of the VL and VH regions of 12A11 are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 28 and 30, respectively (and in Tables 24 and 26, respectively, and in Figures 13 and 14, respectively).

Table 23: Mouse 12A11 VL DNA sequence

30 ATGAAGTTGCCTGTTAGGCTGTTGGGCTGATGTTCTGGATTCCCTGCTTCCAGCAGTGA  
TGTGATGACCAAACCTCCACTCTCCCTGCCTGTCAGTCTGGAGATCAAGCCTCCA  
TCTCTTGAGATCTAGTCAGAGCATTGTACATAGTAATGGAAACACCTACTTAGAATGG  
TACCTGCAGAAACCAGGCCAGTCTCAAAGCTCCTGATCTACAAAGTTCCAACCGATT  
TTCTGGGGTCCCAGACAGGTTCAGTGGCAGTGGATCAGGGACAGATTCACACTCAAGA

TCAGCAGAGTGGAGGCTGAGGATCTGGAATTTATTACTGCTTCAAGTTCACATGTT  
CCTCTCACGTTCGGTGCTGGACCAAGCTGGAGCTGAAA (SEQ ID NO:27)

\*Leader peptide is underlined.

5 Table 24: Mouse 12A11 VL amino acid sequence

mklpvrl1lvmfwipasssDVLMTQTPLSLPVSLGDQASISCrssqsivhsgnyleW  
YLQKPGQSPKLLIYkvsnrfsgVPDRFSGSGSGTDFTLKISRVEAEDLGIYYCfqsshv  
pltFGAGTKLELK (SEQ ID NO:28)

\* Leader peptide and CDRs in lower case.

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Table 25: Mouse 12A11 VH DNA sequence.

ATGGACAGGCTTACTACTTCATTCTGCTGCTGATTGTCCCTGCATATGTCTTGTCCCCA  
AGTTACTCTAAAAGAGTCTGGCCCTGGATATTGAAGCCCTCACAGACCCTCAGTCTGA  
CTTGGTCTTCTCTGGGTTTCACTGAGCACCTCTGGTATGAGTGTAGGCTGGATTCTGT  
15 CAGCCTTCAGGGAAGGGTCTGGAGTGGCTGGCACACATTGGTGGATGATGATAAGTA  
CTATAACCCATCCCTGAAGAGCCGGCTACAATCTCCAAGGATAACCTCCAGAACCAAGG  
TATTCTCAAGATCACCAGTGTGGACACTGCAGATACTGCCACTTACTACTGTGCTCGA  
AGAACTACTACGGCTGACTACTTGCCACTGGGGCCAAGGCACCACTCTCACAGTCTC  
CTCA (SEQ ID NO:29)

20 \*Leader peptide underlined.

Table 26: Mouse 12A11 VH amino acid sequence

mdrlttsfll1livpayvlsQVTLKESGPGILKPSQLSLCSFSGFSLStsgmsvgWIR  
QPSGKGLEWLAhiiwwdddkyynps1ksRLTISKDTSRNQVFLKITSVDTADTATYYCAR  
25 rtttadyfayWGQGTTLTVSS (SEQ ID NO:30)

\* Leader peptide and CDRs in lower case.

30 The 12A11 VL and VH sequences meet the criteria for functional V regions in so far as they contain a contiguous ORF from the initiator methionine to the C-region, and share conserved residues characteristic of immunoglobulin V region genes. From N-terminal to C-terminal, both light and heavy chains comprise the domains FR1, CDR1, FR2, CDR2, FR3, CDR3 and FR4.

Variable heavy and light chain expression vectors were engineered as described *supra* for 3D6 and 12B4 and were co-transfected into COS cells. Conditioned media was assayed by western blot analysis for antibody production or ELISA for A $\beta$  binding. Chimeric 12A11 was found to bind to A $\beta$  with high avidity, similar to that

demonstrated by chimeric and humanized 3D6. Binding avidity was also similar to that demonstrated by chimeric and humanized 12B4.

**Example XVII. Mouse 15C11 Variable Region Sequences**

The VL and VH regions of 15C11 from hybridoma cells were cloned by RT-PCR and 5' RACE using mRNA from hybridoma cells and standard cloning methodology. The nucleotide sequences encoding the VL and VH regions of 15C11 are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 39 and 41, respectively (and in Tables 27 and 29, respectively). The amino acid sequences of the VL and VH regions of 15C11 are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 40 and 42, respectively (and in Tables 28 and 30, respectively, and in Figures 15 and 16, respectively). From N-terminal to C-terminal, both light and heavy chains comprise the domains FR1, CDR1, FR2, CDR2, FR3, CDR3 and FR4. From N-terminal to C-terminal, both light and heavy chains comprise the domains FR1, CDR1, FR2, CDR2, FR3, CDR3 and FR4. An epitope map assay was performed which identified residues 19-22 of A $\beta$  as the epitope for 15C11.

Table 27: Mouse 15C11 VL DNA sequence

ATGAAGTTGCCTGTTAGGCTGTTGGTGCTGATGTTCTGGATTCCCTGCTTCCAGCAGTGA  
 5 TGGTGTGATGACCCAAACTCCACTCTCCCTGCCTGTCAGTCTGGAGATCAAGCCTCCA  
 10 TCTCTTGAGATCTAGTCAGAGCCTGTACACAGTGTGAAACACCTATTTACATTGG  
 15 TACCTGCAGAAGCCAGGCCAGTCTCCAAAACCTGATCTACAAAGTTCCAACCGATT  
 20 TTCTGGGGTCCCAGACAGGTTCAGTGGCAGTGGATCAGGGACAGATTTCACACTCAAGA  
 25 TCAGCAGAGTGGAGGCTGAGGATCTGGAGTTATTCTGCTCTCAAAGTACACATGTG  
 TGGACGTTCGGTGGAGGCACCAAGCTGAAATCAA (SEQ ID NO: 39)

\* Leader peptide is underlined.

Table 28: Mouse 15C11 VL amino acid sequence

mklpvrl1lv1mfwi~~pass~~sDVVMTQTPLSLPVSLGDQASISCrssqslvhsgntylhW  
 30 YLQKPGQSPKLLiykvsnrf~~s~~GVPDRFSGSGSGTDFTLKISRVEAEDLGVYFCsqsthv  
 wtFGGGTKLEIK (SEQ ID NO: 40)

\* Leader peptide and CDRs in lower case.

Table 29: Mouse 15C11 VH DNA sequence.

ATGAATTTCGGGCTCAGCTGATTTCTTGTCTTGTGTTAAAAGGTGTCCTGTGTGA  
 35 AGTGAAGCTGGTGGAGTCTGGGGGAGGTTAGTGCAGCCTGGAGGGTCCCTGAAACTCT  
 CCTGTGCAGCCTCTGGATTACTTCAGTAGATATA~~GT~~TATGTCTGGGTTGCCAGACT  
 CCAGAGAAGAGGCTGGAGTTGGTCGCAAAATTAGTAATAGTGGTGATAAACACCTACTA

TCCAGACACTTAAAGGGCCGATTCAACCATCTCCAGAGACAATGCCAGAACACCCCTGT  
ACCTGCAAATGAGCAGTCTGAAGTCTGAGGACACGCCATGTATTACTGTGCAAGCGGG  
GACTACTGGGGCCAAGGCACCACTCTCACAGTCTCCTCA (SEQ ID NO: 41)

\* Leader peptide is underlined.

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Table 30: Mouse 15C11 VH amino acid sequence

mnfglsiflflvlvlgvlcEVKLVESGGGLVQPGGSLKLSKAASgftfsrysmssWVRQT  
PEKRLELVAkisnsgdntypdt1kgRFTISRDNAQNTLYLQMSSLKSEDTAMYYCASg  
dyWGQGTTLTVSS (SEQ ID NO: 42)

10 \* Leader peptide and CDRs in lower case.

#### Example XVIII. 12A11 Humanization

In order to identify key structural framework residues in the murine 12A11 antibody, three-dimensional models were studied for solved murine antibodies having homology to the 12A11 heavy and light chains. An antibody designated 1KTR was chosen having close homology to the 12A11 light chain and two antibodies designated 1ETZ and 1JRH were chosen having close homology to the 12A11 heavy chain. These mouse antibodies show strong sequence conservation with 12A11 (94% identity in 112 amino acids for Vk and 83% identity in 126 amino acids and 86% identity in 121 amino acids respectively for Vh). The heavy chain structure of 1ETZ was superimposed onto that of 1KTR. In addition, for Vk the CDR loops of the selected antibody fall into the same canonical Chothia structural classes as do the CDR loops of 12A11 VL. The crystal structures of these antibodies were examined for residues (*e.g.*, FR residues important for CDR conformation, etc.) predicted be important for function of the antibody, and by comparison, function of the similar 12A11 antibody

Suitable human acceptor antibody sequences were identified as described *supra*. The selected acceptor sequence for VL is BAC01733 in the NCBI Ig non-redundant database. The selected acceptor sequence for VH is AAA69734 in the NCBI Ig non-redundant database. AAA69734 is a human subgroup III antibody (rather than subgroup II) but was selected as an initial acceptor antibody based at least in part on the reasoning in Saldanha *et al.* (1999) *Mol. Immunol.* 36:709. First versions of humanized 12A11 antibody utilize these selected acceptor antibody sequences. The antibody is described in Schroeder and Wang (1990) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 87:6146.

As noted *supra*, the humanized antibodies of the invention comprise variable framework regions substantially from a human immunoglobulin (acceptor immunoglobulin) and complementarity determining regions substantially from a mouse immunoglobulin (donor immunoglobulin) termed 12A11. Having identified the 5 complementarity determining regions of 12A11 and appropriate human acceptor immunoglobulins, the next step was to determine which, if any, residues from these components to substitute to optimize the properties of the resulting humanized antibody.

The amino acid alignment of the reshaped light chain V region is shown in Figure 13. The choice of the acceptor framework (BAC01733) is from the same 10 human subgroup as that which corresponds to the murine V region, has no rare framework residues, and the CDRs belong to the same Chothia canonical structure groups. No backmutations were made in Version 1 of humanized 12A11

The amino acid alignment of the reshaped heavy chain V region is shown in Figure 14. The choice for the acceptor framework (AAA69734) is from human 15 subgroup III (as described previously) and has no rare framework residues. Structural analysis of the murine VH chain (1ETZ and 1JRH), in conjunction with the amino acid alignment of AAA69734 to the murine sequence dictates 9 backmutations in version 1 (v1) of the reshaped heavy chain: A24F, T28S, F29L, V37I, V48L, F67L, R71K, N73T, L78V (Kabat numbering). The back mutations are highlighted by asterisks in the 20 amino-acid alignment shown in Figure 14.

Of the 9 back mutations, 3 are dictated by the model because the residues are canonical residues (A24F, F29L, & R71K, solid fill), *i.e.* framework residues which may contribute to antigen binding by virtue of proximity to CDR residues. There is one back mutation in the next most important class of residues, the interface residues 25 involved in VH-VL packing interactions (underlined), *i.e.*, V37I. The N73T mutation is at a vernier residue (dotted fill) on the edge of the binding site, possibly interacting with S30 adjacent to CDR1. The remaining 4 residues targeted for back mutation (T28S, V48L, F67L, L78V, Kabat numbering) also fall into the vernier class (indirect contribution to CDR conformation, dotted fill in Figure 14).

30 A summary of the changes incorporated into version 1 of humanized 12A11 is presented in Table 31.

Table 31. Summary of changes in humanized 12A11.v1

Changes	VL (112 residues)	VH (120 residues)
Hu->Mu: Framework	0/112	9/120
CDR1	5/16	6/7
CDR2	3/7	10/16
CDR3	6/8	8/11
Total Hu->Mu	14/112 (12.5%)	33/120 (27.5%)
Mu->Hu: Framework	11/112	26/120
Backmutation notes	none	27. Canonical: A24F, F29L, R71K 28. Packing: V37I 29. Vernier: T28S, V48L, F67L, N73T, L78V
Acceptor notes	30. Genbank Acc. no. BAC01733 31. CDRs from same canonical structural group as donor mouse; 32. Immunoglobulin kappa light chain K64(AIMS4)	33. Genbank Acc. no. AAA69734 (H1 – class 1, H2 = class 3) 34. CDRs from same canonical structural group as donor mouse 35. fetal Ig

Kabat numbering for the 12A11 light and heavy chains is set forth in Figure 13 and 14, respectively. Kabat numbering for the heavy chain acceptor sequence 5 AAA69734 and the germline sequence 567123 can be determined using art-recognized methods (see e.g., Kabat, *Sequences of Proteins of Immunological Interest, supra.*) The nucleotide sequence encoding humanized 12A11 VH (version 1) is set forth as SEQ ID NO:33 and the amino acid sequence of humanized 12A11 (version 1) is set forth as SEQ ID NO:34. The following residues in the light chain were identified as candidates for backmutation: V2, I48, G64 and F71, canonical; M4, P40, L47, Y49, G66, G68 and T69, vernier; Y36, Q38, P44, L46, Y87 and F98, packing. However, as none of these residues differed between donor and acceptor, no backmutations were made in the first versions of humanized 12A11.

PCR-mediated assembly was used to generate h12A11v1 using appropriate oligonucleotide primers. The nucleotide sequences of humanized 12A11VL

(version 1) and 12A11VH (version 1) are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 31 and 32, respectively. For the variable light chain, the leader peptide encoded by A19 germline sequence (Accession No. X63397) was used. For the variable heavy chain, the leader peptide was derived from the M72 acceptor sequence (Accession No. AAA69734).

5           The vernier residues (*e.g.*, S28T, V48L, F67L, L78V) contribute indirectly to CDR conformation and were postulated to be of least significance for conformational perturbation. The targeted residues were mutated by site-directed mutagenesis and h12A11 VHv1 in a pCRS plasmid as the mutagenesis template to arise at clones corresponding to version 2. A sequence-verified V-region insert of version 2  
10          was subcloned into the BamHI/HindIII sites of the heavy chain expression vector pCMV-Cgamma1 (SEQ ID NOs: 91 and 92) to produce recombinant h12A11v2 antibody. A version 2.1 antibody was similarly created having each of the above vernier residue mutations (*i.e.*, elimination of backmutations) in addition to mutation at position T73N. A version 3 antibody likewise had each of the above mutations, T28S, L48V,  
15          L67F, V78L, in addition to a mutation at position K71R.

Additional humanized 12A11 versions were designed which retained backmutations at canonical and packing residues but eliminated backmutations at one (versions 4.1 to 4.4), two (versions 5.1 to 5.6) or three (versions 6.1 to 6.4) vernier residues. Site-directed mutagenesis and clone construction was performed as described  
20          in subpart C, above. Recombinant antibodies were expressed in COS cells and purified from COS cell supernatants. The amino acid sequences of the humanized 12A11 antibodies, versions 4.1 to 6.4, are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 40-53. Additional versions are contemplated which include combinations of the above, for example, human residues at 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 vernier residues in combination with at least one packing and/or  
25          canonical residue (*e.g.*, human residues at positions 28, 37, 48, 67, 71 and 78 or human residues at positions 28, 37, 48, 67, 71, 73 and 78). For example, a version 3.1 antibody was created having human residues at 1 vernier residue in combination with one packing residue and two canonical residues (*i.e.*, human residues at positions 28, 48, 67, 71, 73 and 78). As compared to version 1 which has 21% mouse variable region residues (VL  
30          + VH), version 3.1 has only 17% mouse variable region residues (*i.e.*, has a lower murine content). The nucleotide and amino acid sequences of the humanized 12A11 version 3.1 heavy chain variable region are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 38 and 39, respectively.

A seventh version of humanized 12A11 is created having each of the backmutations indicated for version 1, except for the T→ S backmutation at residue 28 (vernier), and the V→ I backmutation at residue 37 (packing). An eighth version of humanized 12A11 is created having each of the backmutations indicated for version 1, 5 except for the N→ T backmutation at residue 73 (vernier). The amino acid sequences of humanized 12A11 version 7 and 8 heavy chains are set forth as SEQ ID NOs: 54 and 55 respectively. Figure 15A-C depicts the amino acid sequences of h12A11 v1 to v8.

As compared to version 1, version 7 contains only 7 backmutations. The T28S backmutation is conservative and is eliminated in version 7 of the heavy chain. 10 The backmutation at packing residue V37I is also eliminated in version 7. As compared to version 1, version 7 contains only 8 backmutations. In version 8, the N73T (vernier) backmutation is eliminated.

Additional versions may include combinations of the above, for example, 15 human residues (e.g., elimination of backmutations) at 1, 2, 3, 4 (or 5) residues selected from positions 28, 48, 78 and 73, optionally in combination with elimination of backmutation at at least one packing residue (e.g., position 37) and/or at least one canonical residue.

#### **Example XIX: Functional Testing of Humanized 12A11 Antibodies**

20 All humanized 12A11 versions were cloned into appropriate expression vectors. The coding sequence for each antibody was operably linked to a germline leader sequence to facilitate extracellular secretion. Antibodies were transiently expressed in COS cells for production of analytical quantities of antibody used in the functional testing described *infra*. CHO and HEK293 cell lines were stably transfected 25 and cultured in suspension to provide production levels of antibody for use *in vivo*. Antibodies were purified according to art-recognized methodologies.

In some experiments, expression of h12A11v3.1 in transiently-transfected COS cells was increased by manipulation of heavy chain introns. In other experiments, expression of h12A11v3.1 in a stably transfected pool was increased by manipulation of 30 heavy chain intron content (*i.e.*, deletion of introns between CH1 and hinge region, intron between the hinge region and CH2, and intron between CH2 and CH3) and signal sequence (*i.e.*, use of the generic signal sequence MGWSCIILFLVATGAHS (SEQ ID NO:87)).

Humanized 12A11 version 1 was further compared to its murine and chimeric counterparts for two properties: antigen binding (quantitative A $\beta$  ELISA) and relative affinity. The binding activity of h12A11v1 was demonstrated in the quantitative A $\beta$  ELISA and found to be undistinguishable from murine and chimeric forms of 5 12A11.

The affinity of h12A11v1 antibody was also compared with murine and chimeric 12A11 antibodies by a competitive A $\beta$  ELISA. For the competitive binding assay, a biotin conjugated recombinant mouse 12A11C $\gamma$ 2a (isotype switched 12A11) was used. The binding activity of the biotinylated m12A11 C $\gamma$ 2a for aggregate A $\beta$  1-42 10 was comparable to that of the original C $\gamma$ 1 mouse antibody. The humanized 12A11v1 competed within 2X IC50 value with its murine and chimeric counterparts. This data is consistent with affinity determination using Biacore technology which indicated KD values of 38nM and 23 nM for the murine C $\gamma$ 2a and h12A11v1, respectively. In 15 summary, the findings suggest h12A11v1 retains the antigen binding properties and affinity of its original murine counterpart. When tested in the quantitative A $\beta$  ELISA assay, h12A11v2, v2.1 and v3 are comparable to h12A11v1 and to chimeric 12A11 for antigen binding. Moreover, versions 5.1-5.6 and 6.1-6.3 exhibit similar binding activities when tested in this binding assay. Version 6.4 showed some loss of activity in 20 the assay but activity was notably restored in v2.

Binding properties for murine 12A11 and the various humanized 12A11 antibodies were also compared using BIACore technology. Table 32 includes a summary of kinetic analysis of A $\beta$  binding of the various humanized 12A11 antibodies.

Table 32: Binding Properties of 12A11 Antibodies

Langmuir Model (global analysis)					
Antibody	ka (1/Ms)	kd (1/s)	KA (1/M)	KD (nM)	Chi2
mu12A11	5.28E+05	1.65E-03	3.21E+08	3.12	1.71
chi12A11	4.89E+05	1.54E-03	3.17E+08	3.15	2.26
h12A11v1	4.08E+05	1.17E-03	3.48E+08	2.87	8.01
h12A11v2	2.83E+05	4.12E-03	6.86E+07	14.6	0.96
h12A11v2.1	3.06E+05	2.61E-03	1.17E+08	8.54	0.88
h12A11v3	3.59E+05	5.50E-03	6.53E+07	15.3	0.90
h12A11v3.1	5.23E+05	3.13E-03	1.67E+08	5.99	1.10

The data indicate that humanized 12A11 v1 and humanized 12A11 v3.1 have similar affinities for A $\beta$  peptide when compare with parental murine 12A11 (h12A11v1 > m12A11 > chi12A11 > h12A11v3.1 > h12A11v2.1 > h12A11v2 > h12A11v3.1). Notably, the affinity of humanized 12A11 v1 and humanized 12A11 v3.1 are within 2-3x that of the chimeric 12A11 antibody as determined by competitive binding and/or BIACore analysis.

Similar results were seen in competition binding studies performed as described above. Notably, restoring the backmutation at vernier residue 48 in VH (V48L) increases the affinity of h12A11v3.1 to near that of h12A11v1.

Humanized 12A11 v1 and humanized 12A11v3 were further tested for the ability to bind plaque and to clear plaques in an *ex vivo* assay. Immunohistochemistry was performed on cryostat sections from PDAPP and human AD brains. Humanized 12A11 v1 and humanized 12A11v3 were compared to chimeric 12A11 and found to stain plaque in both PDAPP and human cryostat sections at all concentrations tested (*i.e.*, 0.3  $\mu$ g/ml, 1  $\mu$ g/ml and 3  $\mu$ g/ml). As a measure of their ability to trigger Fc-mediated plaque clearance, humanized 12A11 v1 and humanized 12A11v3 were also tested in an *ex vivo* phagocytosis assay with primary mouse microglial cells and sections of brain tissue from PDAPP mice for their ability to clear plaque. Irrelevant IgG1 antibody, having no reactivity toward A $\beta$  or other components of the assay, was used as a negative control. Each of the humanized 12A11 v1, humanized 12A11v3 and chimeric 12A11 antibodies efficiently reduced A $\beta$  levels when tested at a concentration of 0.3  $\mu$ g/ml.

The binding specificity of chimeric 12A11, humanized 12A11 v1 and humanized 12A11v3 were compared by replacement NET (rNET) analysis as described *supra*. Notably, the specificity of humanized 12A11 v1 and humanized 12A11 v3.1 were the same or similar to the parent murine 12A11 antibody.

Further description of the 12A11 antibody can be found in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/858,855, International Patent Application No. PCT/US04/17514, U.S. Patent Application 60/636,776, filed December 15, 2004 (bearing Attorney Docket No. ELN-060-1), entitled "HUMANIZED A $\beta$  ANTIBODIES FOR USE IN IMPROVING COGNITION".

**Example XX. *In vivo* Efficacy of a Humanized 12A11 Antibody: Rapid Improvement in Cognition of a Tg2576 mouse**

The therapeutic efficacy of murine 12A11 (mu12A11), chimeric 12A11 (chi12A11), and a humanized form of 12A11 (v3.1 hu12A11) antibody were compared in a CFC assay. As in Example XVIII, both wild-type and Tg2576 mice were administered a single dose of phosphate buffered saline (PBS) or treatment antibody by intraperitoneal injection.

To assess any rapid improvement in cognition (*i.e.* contextual and cue-dependent memory), each mouse was administered a CFC training session immediately following treatment and a CFC testing session within 24 hours of treatment (*i.e.* Day 1 post-treatment). The results of CFC assay are depicted in Figure 16. The data clearly indicate that mu12A11, chi12A11 and v3.1 hu12A11 have a similar potency in rapidly improving cognition. For example, a 3 mg/kg dose or greater of either chi12A11 or v3.1 hu12A11 resulted in a memory deficit reversal that was similar in magnitude to the results obtained with a 1mg/kg dose of mu12A11. Humanized 12A11 antibodies v1.0 through v3.1, also proved efficacious in the CFC assays, in particular, v1.0, v3.0 and v3.1, with v1.0 and v3.1 having efficacy similar to that of murine 12A11, and v3.0 further exhibiting significant efficacy. Moreover, h12A11 v1.0 was efficacious in the CFC assay when doubly transgenic AD mice were tested (MED=3mg/kg), indicating that the efficacy of passively administered antibody was not titrated out due to plaque binding in these mice. The mouse antibody 266 (non-plaque binding) was included as a positive control (MED=3mg/kg). The ability of an IgG isotype h12A11 v1.0 antibody was also tested in CFC and proved to be efficacious at MED 0.1 mg/kg. The isotype switch demonstrated to have greatly reduced (but not eliminated) Fc-mediated activity, indicating that efficacy is not solely dependent on Fc function.

Cell lines producing the antibodies 3D6 and 10D5, having the *ATCC* accession numbers PTA-5129 and PTA-5130, respectively, were deposited on April 8, 30 2003, under the terms of the Budapest Treaty and cell lines producing the antibodies 1C2, 2B1, 6C6 and 9G8, having the the *ATCC* accession numbers \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, respectively, were deposited on October 31, 2005, under the terms of the Budapest Treaty. Also, cell lines producing the antibodies 2H3, 12A11,

15C11 and 3A3, having the *ATCC* accession numbers \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, respectively, were deposited on December 12, 2005, under the terms of the Budapest Treaty.

5                  From the foregoing it will be apparent that the invention provides for a number of uses. For example, the invention provides for the use of any of the antibodies to A $\beta$  described above in the treatment, prophylaxis or diagnosis of amyloidogenic disease, or in the manufacture of a medicament or diagnostic composition for use in the same. Although the foregoing invention has been described in detail for purposes of clarity of understanding, it will be obvious that certain modifications may be practiced within the scope of the appended claims. All publications and patent documents cited herein, as well as text appearing in the figures and sequence listing, are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety for all purposes to the same extent as if each were so individually denoted.

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What is claimed is:

1. A method for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject, comprising administering to the subject an effective dose of an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 1-10 of A $\beta$  and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ , such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved.

10 2. A method for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject, comprising administering to the subject an effective dose of an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 1-10 of A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay, such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved.

15 3. A method for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject, comprising administering to the subject an effective dose of an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 1-10 of A $\beta$ , preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay, such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved.

20 4. The method of any one of claims 1-3, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody binds to an epitope within residues 3-7 of A $\beta$ .

25 5. The method of any one of claims 1-3, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody is selected from the group consisting of a 3D6 antibody, a 6C6 antibody, a 10D5 antibody, and a 12A11 antibody.

30 6. The method of any one of claims 1-3, provided that the A $\beta$  antibody is not a 3D6 antibody.

7. A method for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject, comprising administering to the subject an effective dose of an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$  and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ , such that  
5 the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved.

8. A method for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject, comprising administering to the subject an effective dose of an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$  and effects a  
10 rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay, such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved.

9. A method for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject, comprising administering to the subject an effective dose of an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$ , preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay, such that the rapid  
20 improvement in cognition is achieved.

10. The method of any one of claims 7-9, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody binds to an epitope within residues 16-24 of A $\beta$ .

25 11. The method of any one of claims 7-9, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody is selected from the group consisting of a 2B1 antibody, a 1C2 antibody, and a 15C11 antibody.

30 12. The method of any one of claims 7-9, provided that the A $\beta$  antibody is not a 266 antibody.

13. The method of any one of the preceding claims, wherein the improvement in cognition in the animal model is an improvement in memory impairment status or a reversal of memory deficit.

5 14. The method of any one of the preceding claims, wherein the subject has or is at risk for an A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder.

15. The method of claim 14, wherein the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is associated with or characterized by soluble A $\beta$ .

10 16. The method of claim 15, wherein the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is associated with or characterized by insoluble A $\beta$ .

15 17. The method of claim 15, wherein the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is an amyloidogenic disease.

18. The method of claim 17, wherein the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is Alzheimer's disease.

20 19. The method of claim 15, wherein the A $\beta$ -related disease or disorder is an A $\beta$ -related cognitive disorder.

20 20. The method of claim 19, wherein the A $\beta$ -related cognitive disorder is mild cognitive impairment.

25 21. The method of any one of the preceding claims, wherein the subject is substantially free of amyloid deposits.

30 22. The method of any one of the preceding claims, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody is administered to the subject prior to substantial plaque deposition in the subject.

23. The method of any one of the preceding claims, wherein the subject has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease.

24. The method of any one of claims 1-21, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody is administered to the subject subsequent to substantial plaque deposition in the subject.

5 25. The method of any one of the preceding claims, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody is administered to the subject as a single dose.

26. The method of any one of claims 1-24, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody is administered to the subject in multiple doses.

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27. The method of any one of the preceding claims, wherein the dose of A $\beta$  antibody is from about 100 $\mu$ g/kg to 100 mg/kg body weight of the patient.

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28. The method of any one of claims 1-26, wherein the dose of A $\beta$  antibody is from about 300 $\mu$ g/kg to 30 mg/kg body weight of the patient.

29. The method of any one of claims 1-26, wherein the dose of A $\beta$  antibody is from about 1 mg/kg to 10 mg/kg body weight of the patient.

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30. The method of any one of the preceding claims, wherein the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved within one month after administration of the antibody.

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31. The method of any one of the preceding claims, wherein the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved within one week after administration of the antibody.

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32. The method of any one of claims 1-30, wherein the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved within one day after administration of the antibody.

33. The method of any one of claims 1-30, wherein the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved within 12 hours after administration of the antibody.

5 34. The method of any one of the preceding claims, wherein the subject is a human.

10 35. A composition comprising an A $\beta$  antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 1-10 of A $\beta$  and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ .

15 36. A composition comprising an A $\beta$  antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 1-10 of A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay.

20 37. A composition comprising an A $\beta$  antibody in an amount effective to rapidly improve cognition in a subject, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 1-10 of A $\beta$ , preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay.

25 38. The composition of any one of claims 35-37, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody binds to an epitope within residues 3-7 of A $\beta$ .

30 39. The composition of any one of claims 35-37, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody is selected from the group consisting of a 3D6 antibody, a 6C6 antibody, a 10D5 antibody, and a 12A11 antibody.

40. The composition of any one of claims 35-37, provided that the A $\beta$  antibody is not a 3D6 antibody.

41. A composition for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject, comprising an effective dose of an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$  and preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$ , such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved.

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10. A composition for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject, comprising an effective dose of an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay, such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved.

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15. A composition for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a subject, comprising an effective dose of an A $\beta$  antibody, wherein the antibody is specific for an epitope within residues 13-28 of A $\beta$ , preferentially binds to soluble oligomeric A $\beta$  as compared to monomeric A $\beta$  and effects a rapid improvement in cognition in an animal model of an A $\beta$ -related disorder as determined in a Contextual Fear Conditioning (CFC) assay, such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved.

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44. The composition of any one of claims 41-43, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody binds to an epitope within residues 16-24 of A $\beta$ .

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25. The composition of any one of claims 41-43, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody is selected from the group consisting of a 2B1 antibody, a 1C2 antibody, and a 15C11 antibody.

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46. The composition of any one of claims 41-43, provided that the A $\beta$  antibody is not a 266 antibody.

47. The composition of any one of claims 41-46, wherein the improvement in cognition in the animal model is an improvement in memory impairment status or a reversal of memory deficit.

48. The composition of any one of claims 41-47, wherein the antibody neutralizes one or more neuroactive A $\beta$  species.

5 49. The composition of any one of claims 41-48, wherein the A $\beta$  antibody clears plaques.

50. The composition of any one of claims 41-49, formulated for single dose administration.

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51. The composition of any one of claims 41-49, formulated for multiple dose administration.

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52. A humanized immunoglobulin comprising complementarity determining regions (CDRs) the 6C6, antibody produced by the cell line having ATCC Accession Number \_\_\_\_\_.

53. A humanized version of the monoclonal antibody 6C6 produced by the cell line having ATCC Accession Number \_\_\_\_\_.

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54. A humanized immunoglobulin comprising complementarity determining regions (CDRs) the 2B1, antibody produced by the cell line having ATCC Accession Number \_\_\_\_\_.

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55. A humanized version of the monoclonal antibody 2B1 produced by the cell line having ATCC Accession Number \_\_\_\_\_.

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56. A humanized immunoglobulin comprising complementarity determining regions (CDRs) the 1C2, antibody produced by the cell line having ATCC Accession Number \_\_\_\_\_.

57. A humanized version of the monoclonal antibody 1C2 produced by the cell line having ATCC Accession Number \_\_\_\_\_.

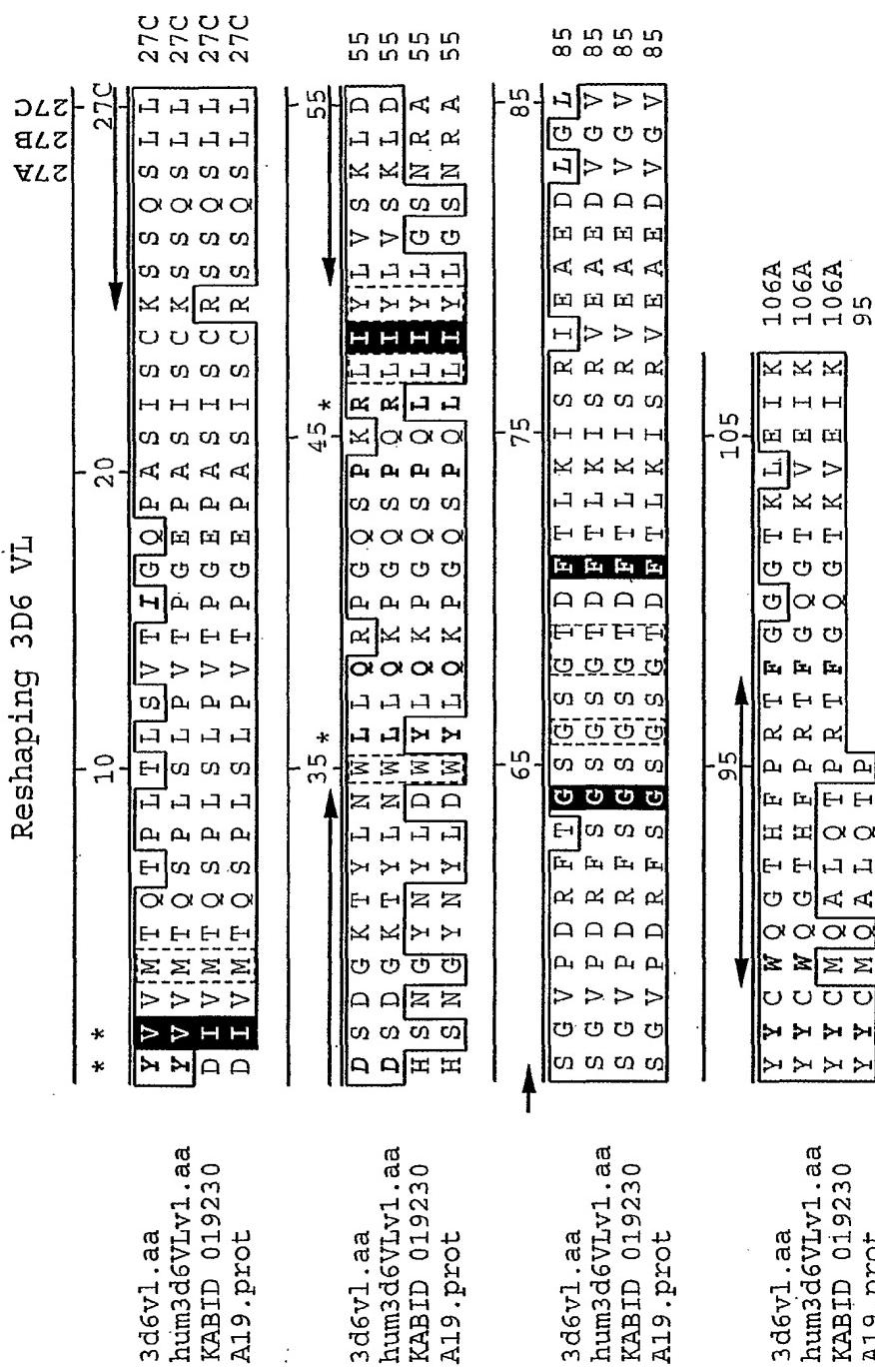
58. A humanized immunoglobulin comprising complementarity determining regions (CDRs) the 9G8, antibody produced by the cell line having ATCC Accession Number \_\_\_\_\_.

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59. A humanized version of the monoclonal antibody 9G8 produced by the cell line having ATCC Accession Number \_\_\_\_\_.

60. A method for effecting rapid improvement in cognition in a  
10 subject, comprising administering to the subject an effective dose of the antibody of any one of claims 52-59, such that the rapid improvement in cognition is achieved.

## FIG. 1

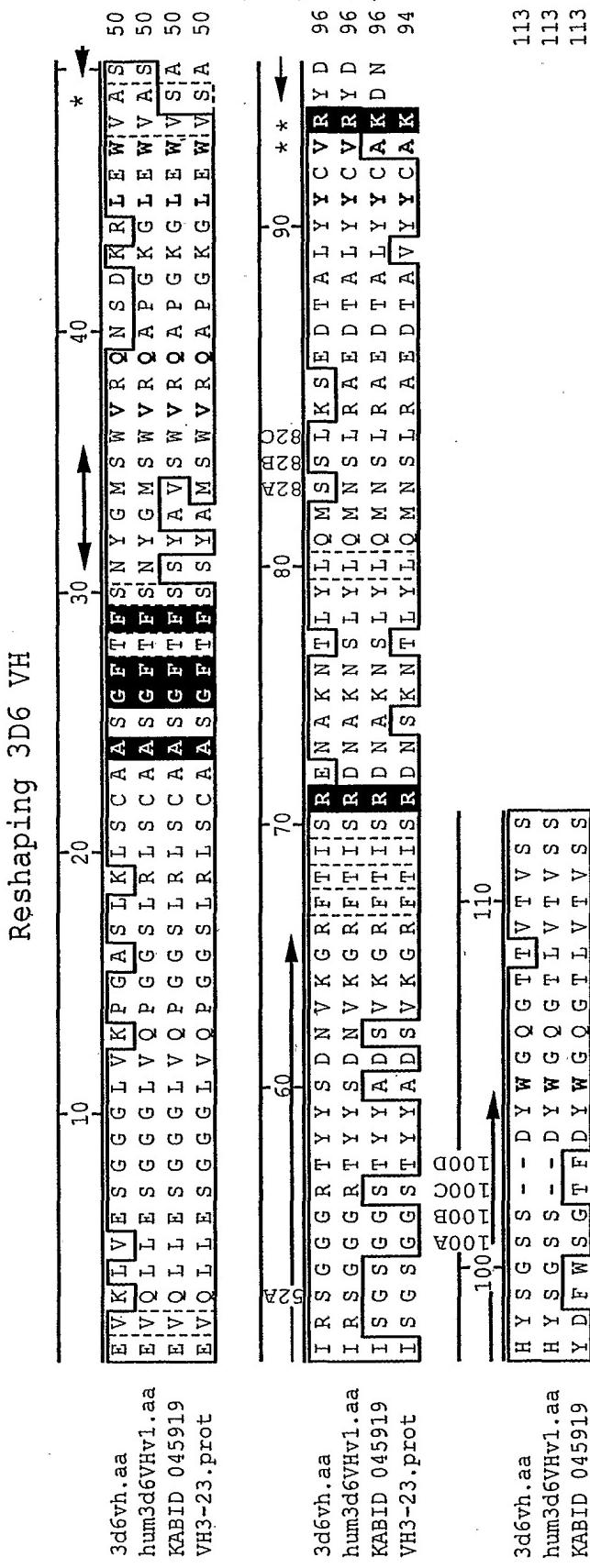


<sup>1</sup>Decoration #1': Box residues that match hum3D6VLv1.aa exactly. Residue numbering cf Kabat

3d6v1.aa - Donor murine sequence hum3d6VLv1.aa - humanized 3d6

KABID 019230 - human acceptor framework A19.prot - human germline VH

# FIG. 2



<sup>1</sup>Decoration #1: Box residues that match hum3d6VHv1.aa exactly. Residue Numbering cf Kabat

3d6vh\_aa - Donor murine sequence

hum3d6VHv1.aa - humanized 3d6 VH

KABID 045919 - human acceptor framework

VH3-23.prot - human germline VH

Red: Canonical/CDR interacting residues

Yellow: vernier/CDR foundation

Blue: packing (VH+VL)

FIG. 3

10D5v1.pro    M K L P V R L L - V L M F W I P A S S S D V L M T Q T P L S 10  
 3D6v1.pro    M M S P A Q F L F L V L W I R E T N G Y V V M T Q T P L T

10D5v1.pro    I P V S I G D Q A S I S C R S S Q N I I H S N G N T Y L E W 35  
 3D6v1.pro    I S V T I G Q P A S I S C K S S Q S I L D S D G K T Y L N W

10D5v1.pro    Y L Q K P G Q S P K L L I Y K V S N R F S G V P D R F S G S 65  
 3D6v1.pro    I L Q R P G Q S P K R L I Y L V S K L D S G V P D R F T G S

10D5v1.pro    G S G T D F T L K I K V E A E D L G I Y Y C F Q G S H V P 95  
 3D6v1.pro    G S G T D F T L K I S R I E A E D L G L Y Y C W Q G T H F P

10D5v1.pro    I T F G A G T K L E L E K  
 3D6v1.pro    R T F G G G T K L E I K

FIG. 4

10D5vh.pro    M D - R L T S S F L L I V P A Y V L S Q A T L K E S G P G 10  
 3D6vh.PRO    M N F G L S L I F L V L V L K G - V Q C E V K L V E S G G G

10D5vh.pro    I L Q S S Q T L S L T C S F S G F S L S T S G M G V S W I R 38  
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10D5vh.pro    Q P S G K G L E W L A H I Y W D D K R Y - N P S L K S R L 67  
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 3D6vh.PRO    T I S R E N A K N T L Y L Q M S S L K S E D T A L Y Y C V R

CDR3 100A B C D E

10D5vh.pro    R P I T P V L V D A M D Y W G Q G T S V T V S S 113  
 3D6vh.PRO    - - Y D H Y S G S S D Y W G Q G T T V T V S S

FIG. 5A

Sequence alignment showing conservation across four rows:

- Row 1:** \* 10 20
- Row 2:** 27A 27S 27C 27D 27G 30
- Row 3:** 40 50

Conservation markers (solid black bars) are present in the following positions:

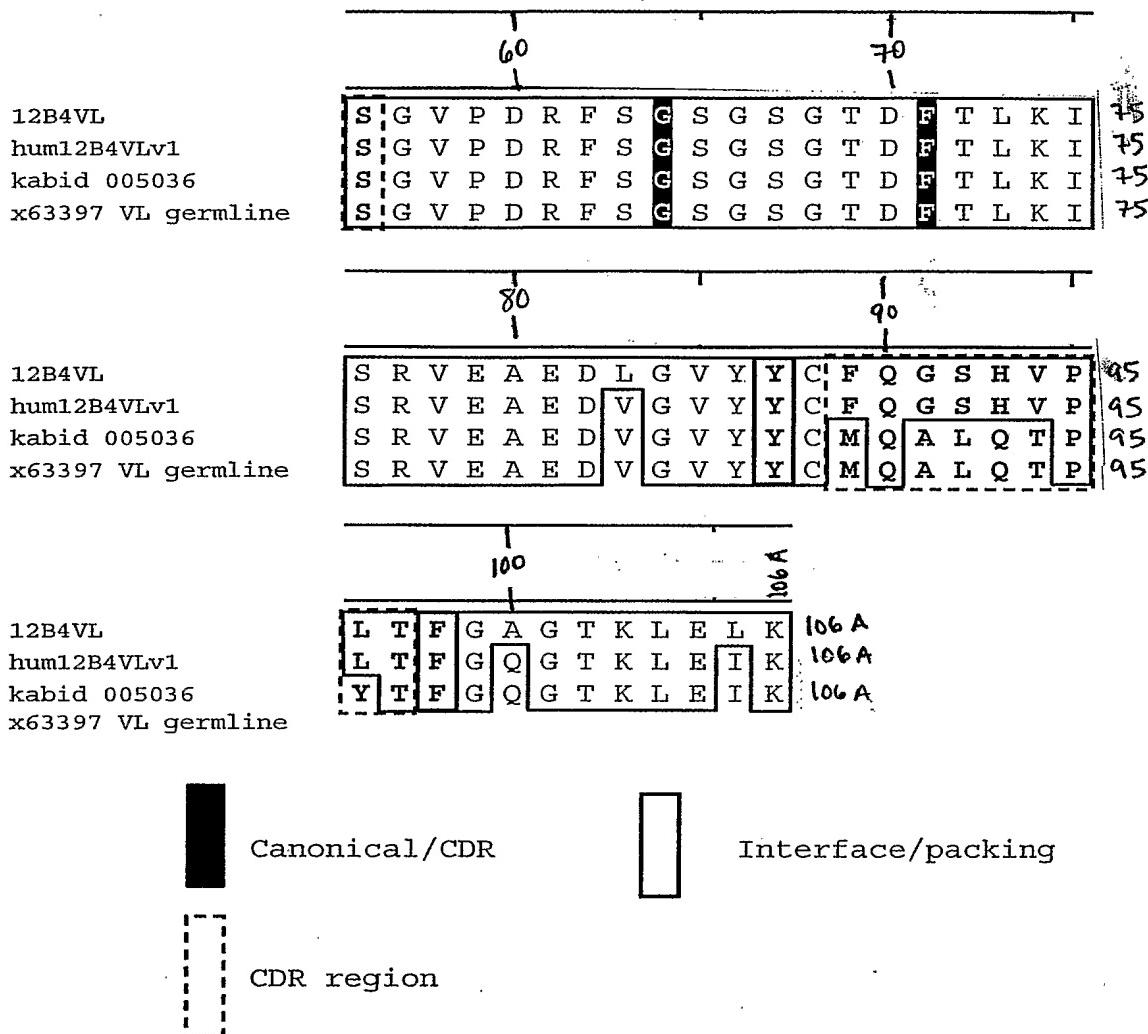
- Row 1:** Positions 1, 10, and 20.
- Row 2:** Positions 27A, 27S, 27C, 27D, 27G, and 30.
- Row 3:** Positions 40 and 50.

The diagram illustrates the structure of a CDR message. It features three main components arranged horizontally: a black vertical bar labeled "Canonical/CDR", a dashed rectangular box labeled "CDR region", and a white vertical bar labeled "Interface/packing".

\* single backmutation  
of a human→mouse residue

Decoration: Box residues  
that match 12B4VH exactly.

FIG. 5B



\* single backmutation  
of a human→mouse residue

Decoration: Box residues  
that match 12B4VH exactly.

**FIG. 6A**

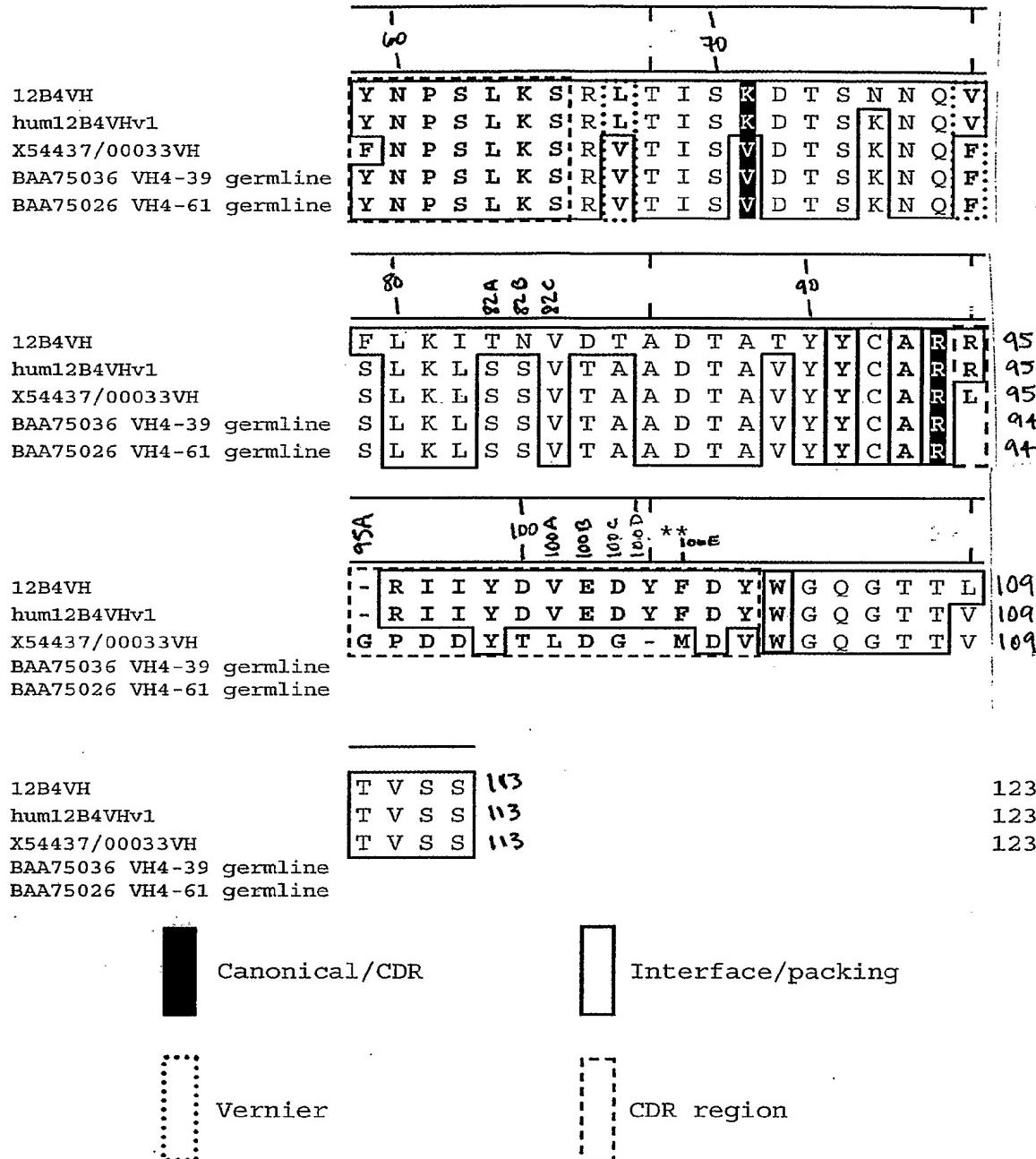
Canonical/CDR      Interface/packing

Vernier CDR region

\* single backmutation  
of a human→mouse residue

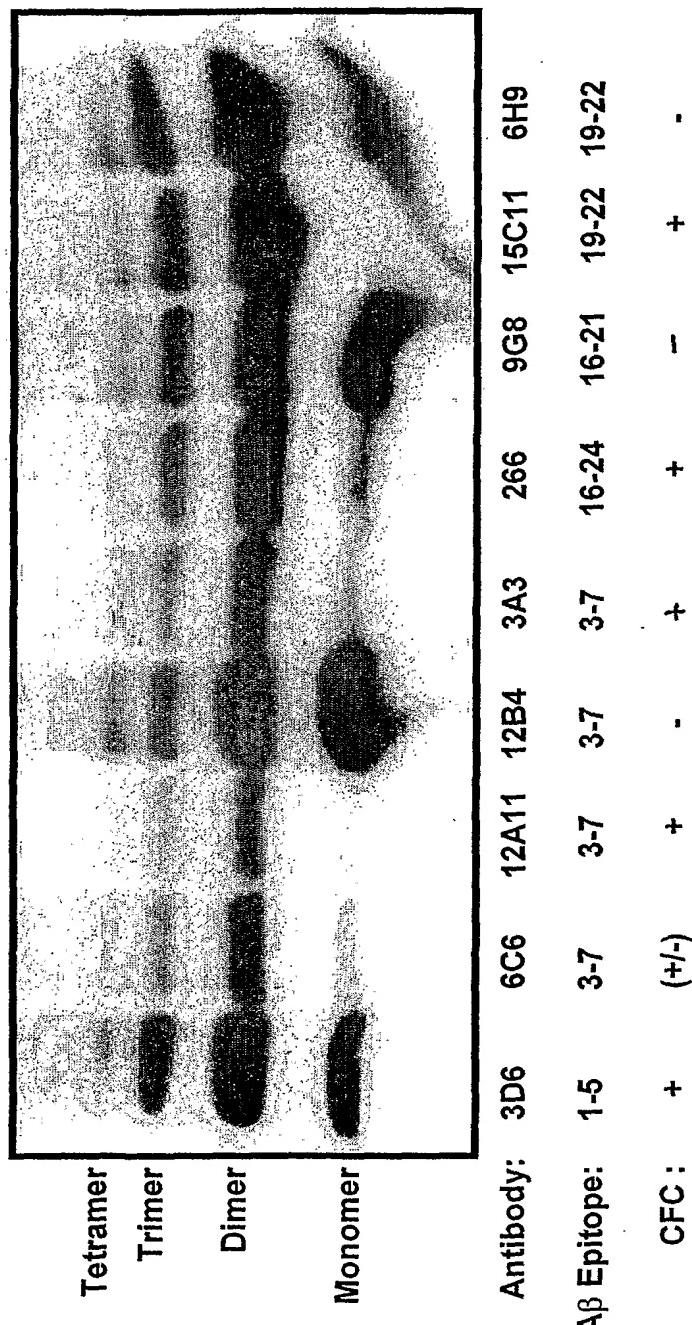
Decoration: Box residues  
that match 12B4VH exactly.

FIG. 6B



\* single backmutation  
of a human→mouse residue

Decoration: Box residues  
that match 12B4VH

**Figure 7**

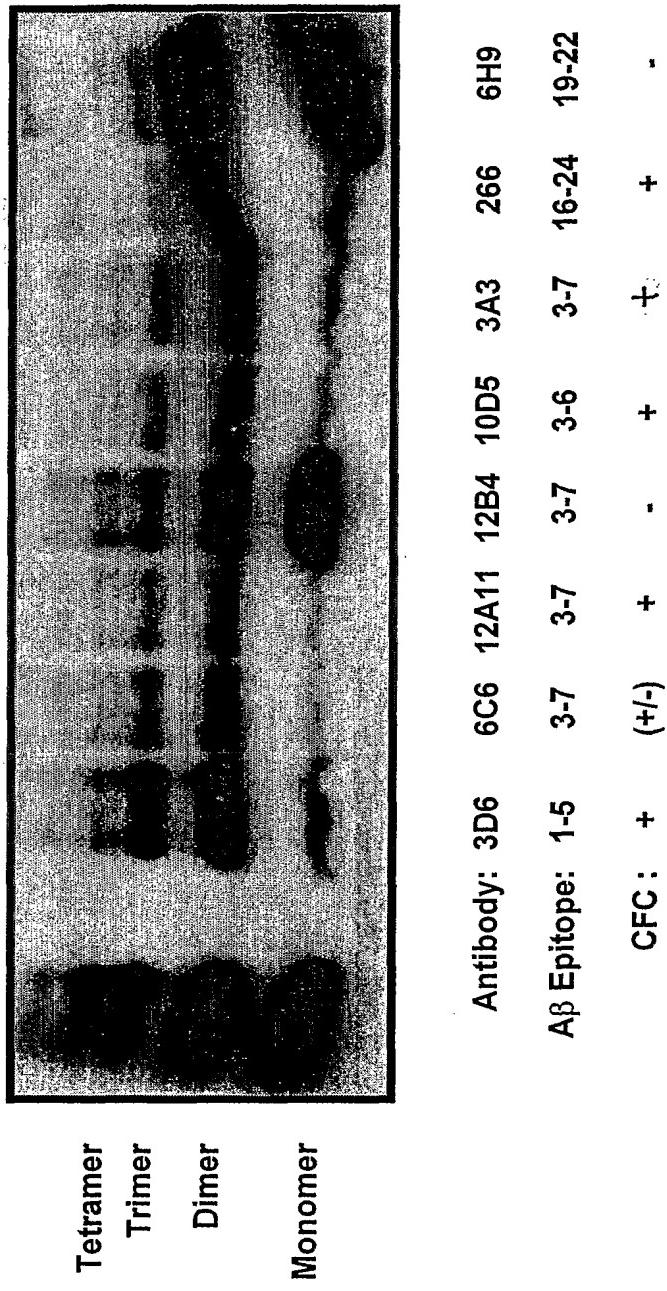
**Figure 8**

Figure 9A

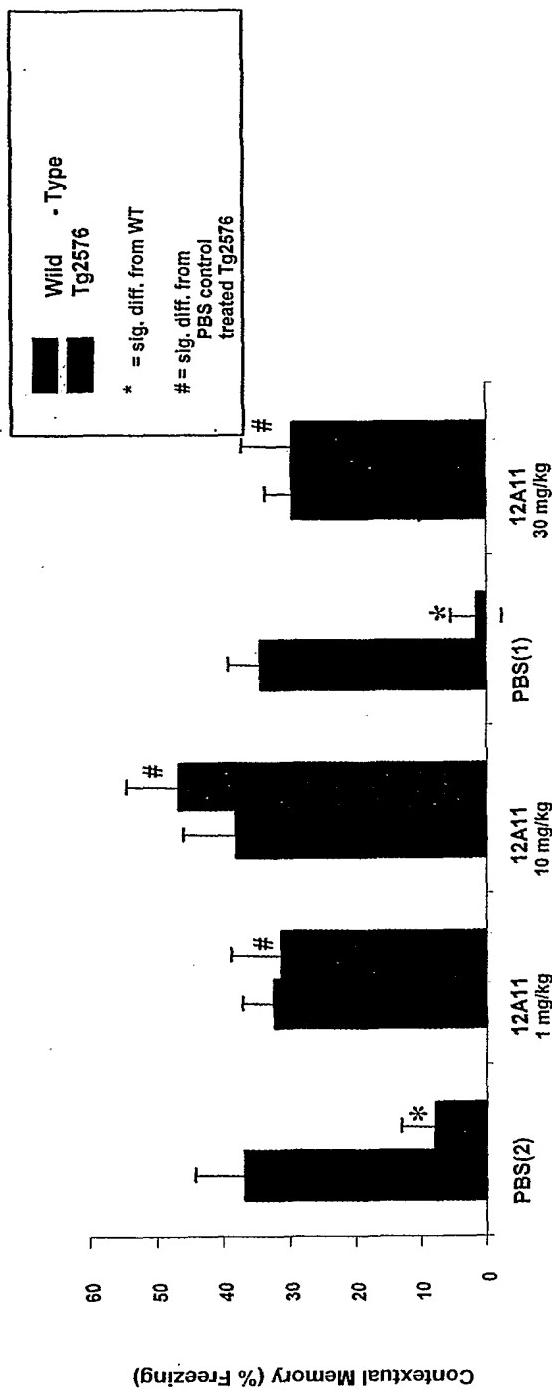
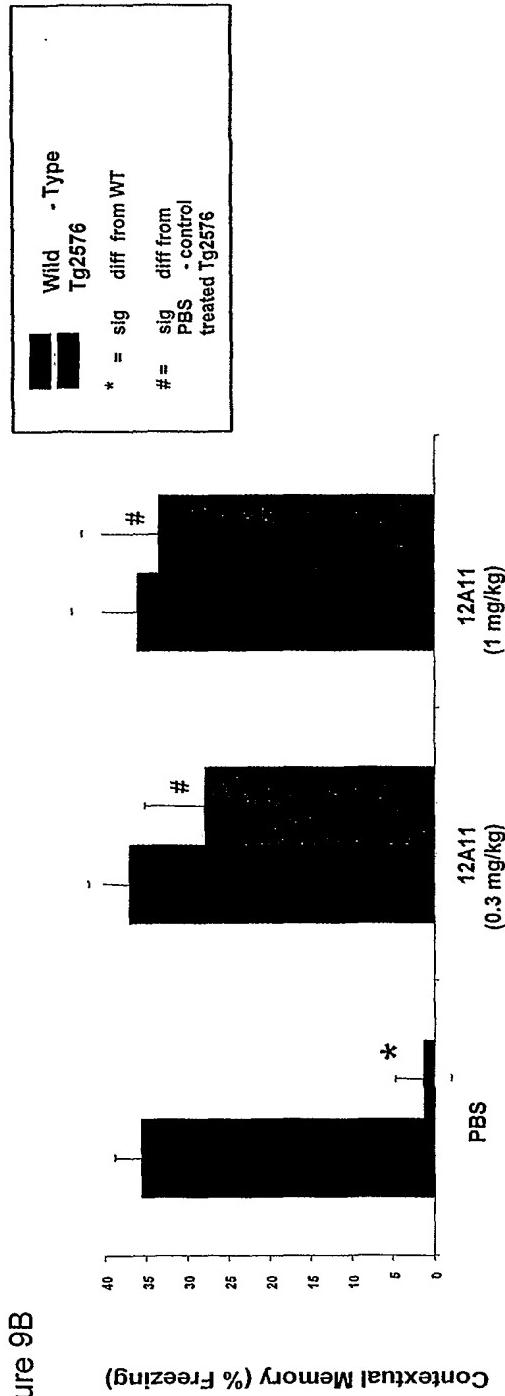


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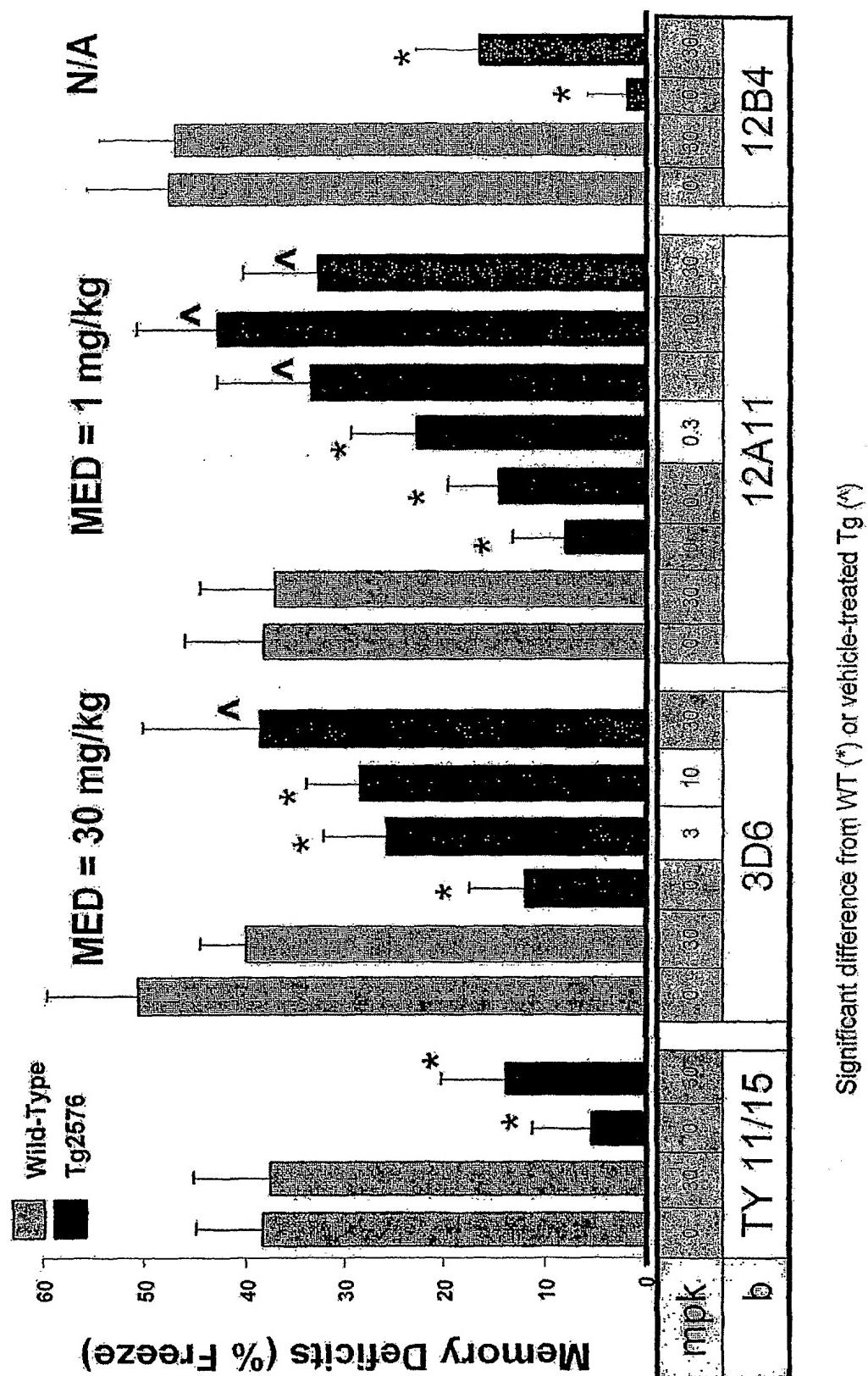
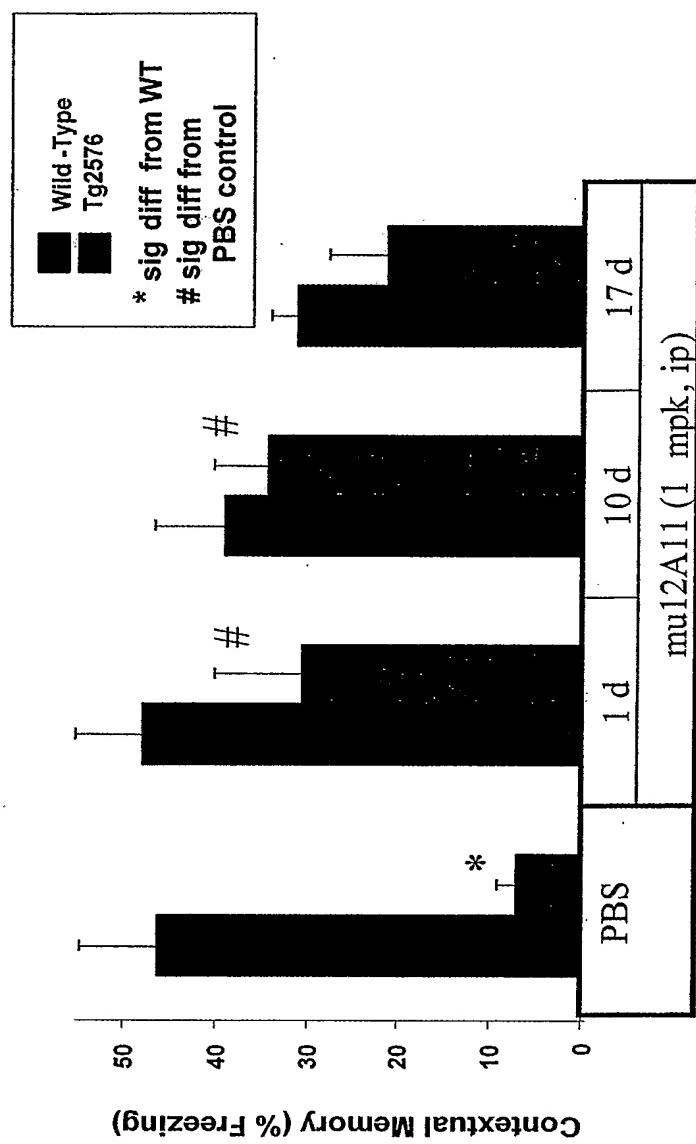
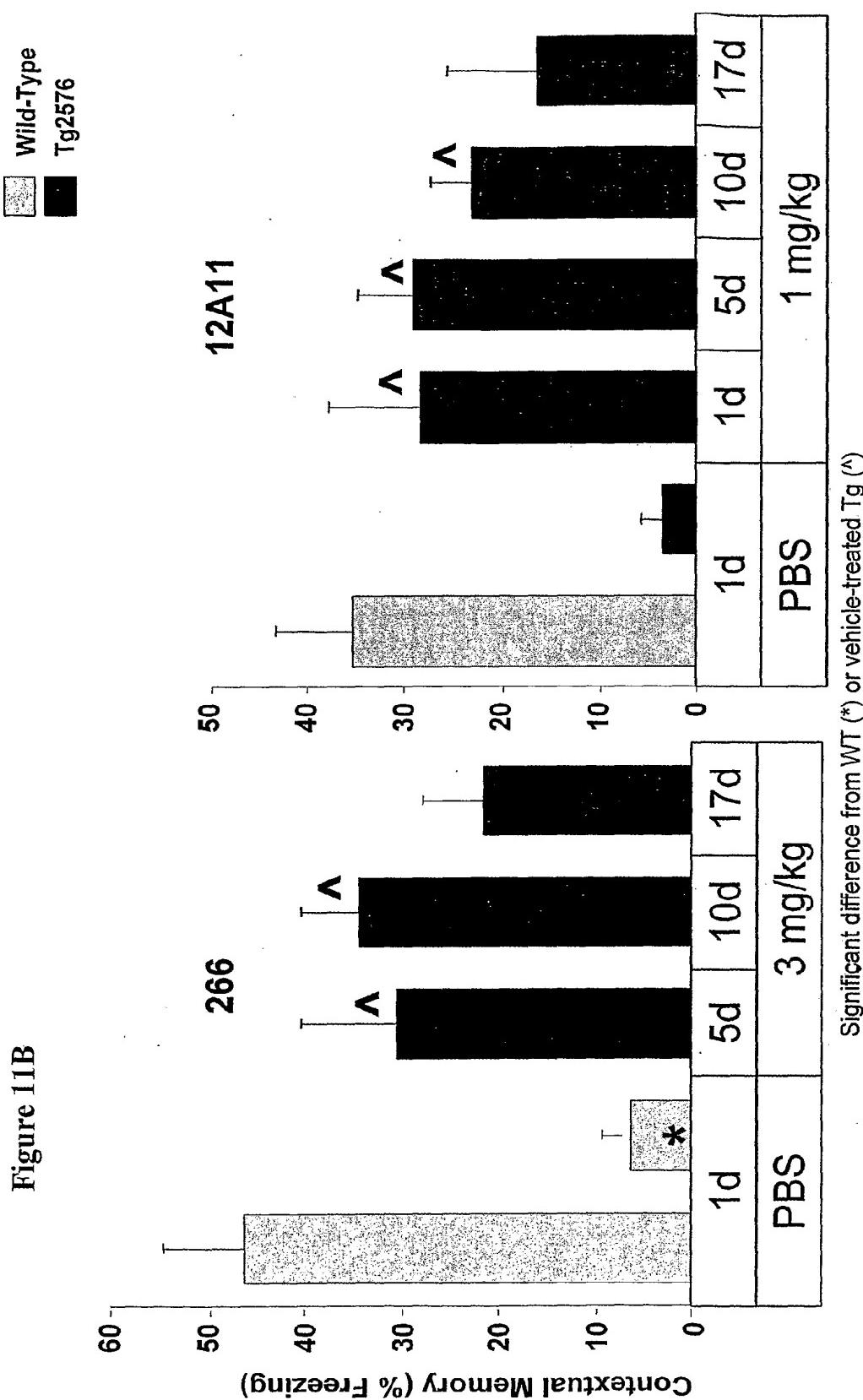
**Figure 10**

FIG.11A





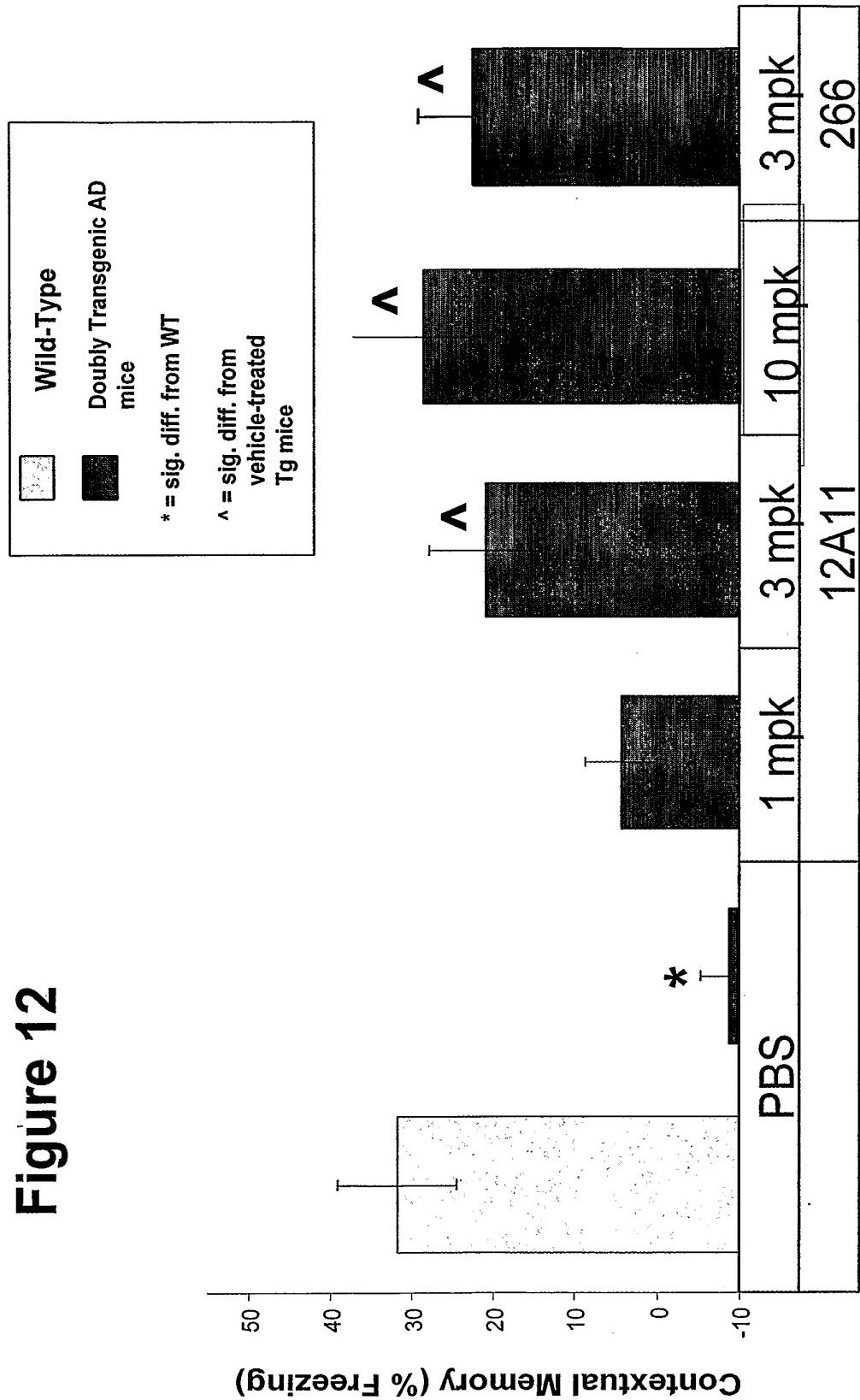
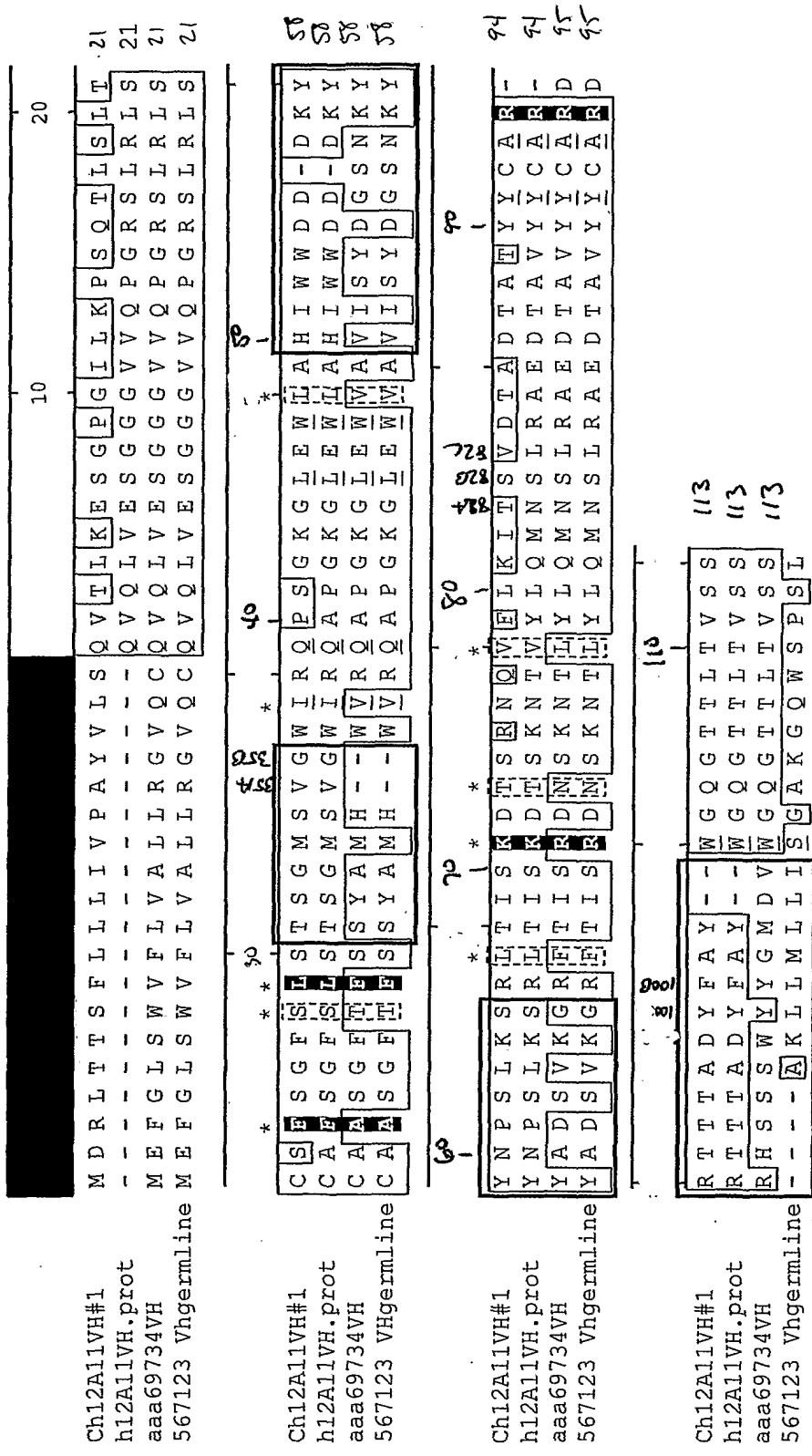
**Figure 12**

FIG. 13

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FIG. 14



## FIG.15A

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**FIG.15B**

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**FIG.15C**

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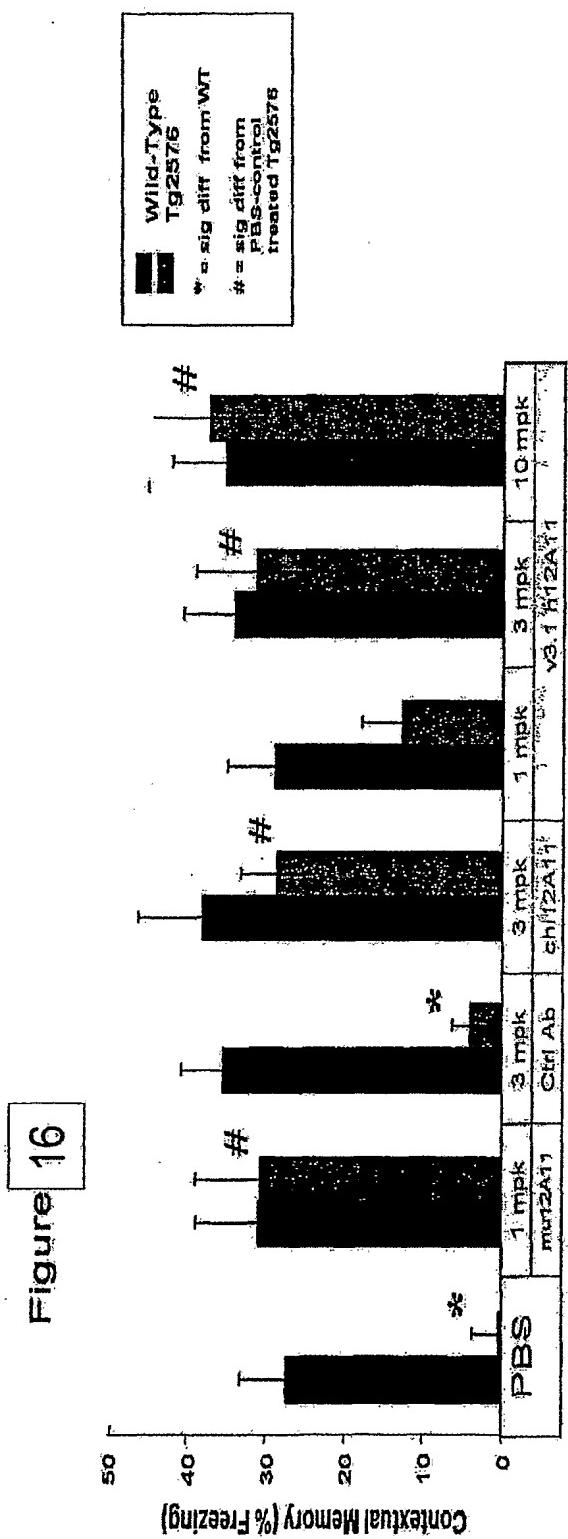


Figure 17

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## Figure 18

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1 5 10

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 Glu Trp Val Ala Ser Ile Arg Ser Gly Gly Arg Thr Tyr Tyr Ser  
 50 55 60  
 Asp Asn Val Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ala Lys Asn  
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 Ser Leu Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Leu  
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Thr Leu Lys Ile Ser Arg Val Glu Ala Glu Asp Val Gly Val Tyr Tyr  
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Cys Trp Gln Gly Thr His Phe Pro Arg Thr Phe Gly Gln Gly Thr Lys  
95 100 105  
Val Glu Ile Lys  
110



-15	-10	-5	
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15	20	25	
ata cat agt aat gga aac acc tat tta gaa tgg tac ctg cag aaa cca Ile His Ser Asn Gly Asn Thr Tyr Leu Glu Trp Tyr Leu Gln Lys Pro			192
30	35	40	45
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65	70	75	
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80	85	90	
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1                    5                    10			
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15                    20                    25			
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50                    55                    60			
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Val Leu Ser Gln Ala Thr Leu Lys Glu Ser Gly Pro Gly Ile Leu Gln		
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tcc tcc cag acc ctc agt ctg act tgt tct ttc tct ggg ttt tca ctg	144	
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15	20	25

agc act tct ggt atg gga gtg agc tgg att cgt cag cct tca gga aag	192		
Ser Thr Ser Gly Met Gly Val Ser Trp Ile Arg Gln Pro Ser Gly Lys			
30	35	40	45

ggt ctg gag tgg ctg gca cac att tac tgg gat gat gac aag cgc tat	240	
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aac cca tcc ctg aag agc cgg ctc aca atc tcc aag gat acc tcc aga	288	
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aag cag gta ttc ctc aag atc acc agt gtg gac cct gca gat act gcc	336	
Lys Gln Val Phe Leu Lys Ile Thr Ser Val Asp Pro Ala Asp Thr Ala		
80	85	90

aca tac tac tgt gtt cga agg ccc att act ccg gta cta gtc gat gct	384	
Thr Tyr Tyr Cys Val Arg Arg Pro Ile Thr Pro Val Leu Val Asp Ala		
95	100	105

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Ser Thr Ser Gly Met Gly Val Ser Trp Ile Arg Gln Pro Ser Gly Lys			
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Gly Leu Glu Trp Leu Ala His Ile Tyr Trp Asp Asp Asp Lys Arg Tyr	
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	50		55		60										
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			80		85								90		
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			95		100								105		
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&lt;212&gt; DNA

&lt;213&gt; Mus musculus

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;221&gt; sig\_peptide

&lt;222&gt; (1)...(57)

&lt;220&gt;

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																5
																10

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																20
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Val	His	Ser	Asn	Gly	Asn	Thr	Tyr	Leu	Glu	Trp	Tyr	Leu	Gln	Lys	Pro	
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																35
																40
																45

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Phe	Gln	Gly	Ser	His	Val	Pro	Leu	Thr	Phe	Gly	Ala	Gly	Thr	Lys	Leu	
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Glu	Leu	Lys														
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&lt;213&gt; Mus musculus

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Val His Ser Asn Gly Asn Thr Tyr Leu Glu Trp Tyr Leu Gln Lys Pro  
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Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser Gly Ser Gly Ser Gly Thr Asp Phe Thr  
65 70 75  
Leu Lys Ile Ser Arg Val Glu Ala Glu Asp Leu Gly Val Tyr Tyr Cys  
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Glu Leu Lys  
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Asn Gln Val Phe Leu Lys Ile Thr Asn Val Asp Thr Ala Asp Thr Ala  
80 85 90

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 15 20 25

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gtc ctg tcc cag gtg cag ctg cag gag tcg ggc cca gga ctg gtg aag	96	
Val Leu Ser Gln Val Gln Leu Glu Ser Gly Pro Gly Leu Val Lys		
1	5	10

cct tcg gag acc ctg tcc ctc acc tgc act ttc tct ggt ttt tcc ctg	144	
Pro Ser Glu Thr Leu Ser Leu Thr Cys Thr Phe Ser Gly Phe Ser Leu		
15	20	25

agc act aat ggt atg ggt gtg agc tgg atc cgg cag ccc cca ggg aag	192		
Ser Thr Asn Gly Met Gly Val Ser Trp Ile Arg Gln Pro Pro Gly Lys			
30	35	40	45

gga ctg gag tgg ctg gca cac atc tat tgg gat gag gac aag cgc tat	240	
Gly Leu Glu Trp Leu Ala His Ile Tyr Trp Asp Glu Asp Lys Arg Tyr		
50	55	60

aac cca tcc ctc aag agt cga ctg acc ata tca aag gac acg tcc aag	288	
Asn Pro Ser Leu Lys Ser Arg Leu Thr Ile Ser Lys Asp Thr Ser Lys		
65	70	75

aac cag gta tcc ctg aag ctg agc tct gtg acc gct gca gac acg gcc	336	
Asn Gln Val Ser Leu Lys Leu Ser Ser Val Thr Ala Ala Asp Thr Ala		
80	85	90

gtg tat tac tgt gcg aga agg agg atc atc tat gat gtt gag gac tac	384	
Val Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Arg Arg Arg Ile Ile Tyr Asp Val Glu Asp Tyr		
95	100	105

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15	20	25	
Ser Thr Asn Gly Met Gly Val Ser Trp Ile Arg Gln Pro Pro Gly Lys			
30	35	40	45
Gly Leu Glu Trp Leu Ala His Ile Tyr Trp Asp Glu Asp Lys Arg Tyr			

	50		55		60										
Asn	Pro	Ser	Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Leu	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Thr	Ser	Lys
			65				70				75				
Asn	Gln	Val	Ser	Leu	Lys	Leu	Ser	Ser	Val	Thr	Ala	Ala	Asp	Thr	Ala
			80				85				90				
Val	Tyr	Tyr	Cys	Ala	Arg	Arg	Arg	Ile	Ile	Tyr	Asp	Val	Glu	Asp	Tyr
			95				100				105				
Phe	Asp	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln	Gly	Thr	Thr	Val	Thr	Val	Ser	Ser		
			110				115				120				

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&lt;211&gt; 142

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, humanized 12B4VLv2

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;221&gt; SIGNAL

&lt;222&gt; (1)...(19)

&lt;400&gt; 25

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									65	70		75			
Asn	Gln	Phe	Ser	Leu	Lys	Leu	Ser	Ser	Val	Thr	Ala	Ala	Asp	Thr	Ala
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									95	100		105			
Phe	Asp	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln	Gly	Thr	Thr	Val	Thr	Val	Ser	Ser		
									110	115		120			

&lt;210&gt; 26

&lt;211&gt; 142

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, humanized 12B4VLv3

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;221&gt; SIGNAL

&lt;222&gt; (1)...(19)

&lt;400&gt; 26

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									1	5		10			
Pro	Ser	Glu	Thr	Leu	Ser	Leu	Thr	Cys	Thr	Phe	Ser	Gly	Phe	Ser	Leu
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									30	35		40		45	
Gly	Leu	Glu	Trp	Leu	Gly	His	Ile	Tyr	Trp	Asp	Glu	Asp	Lys	Arg	Tyr
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Asn	Pro	Ser	Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Val	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Thr	Ser	Lys
65								70						75	
Asn	Gln	Val	Ser	Leu	Lys	Leu	Ser	Ser	Val	Thr	Ala	Ala	Asp	Thr	Ala
80							85						90		
Val	Tyr	Tyr	Cys	Ala	Arg	Arg	Arg	Ile	Ile	Tyr	Asp	Val	Glu	Asp	Tyr
95					100					105					
Phe	Asp	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln	Gly	Thr	Thr	Val	Thr	Val	Ser	Ser		
110					115					120					

&lt;210&gt; 27

&lt;211&gt; 393

&lt;212&gt; DNA

&lt;213&gt; Murine

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;221&gt; CDS

&lt;222&gt; (1)...(393)

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;221&gt; sig\_peptide

&lt;222&gt; (1)...(57)

&lt;400&gt; 27

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Ser	Ser	Ser	Asp	Val	Leu	Met	Thr	Gln	Thr	Pro	Leu	Ser	Leu	Pro	Val	
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Ser	Leu	Gly	Asp	Gln	Ala	Ser	Ile	Ser	Cys	Arg	Ser	Ser	Gln	Ser	Ile	
							15		20			25				

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Gly	Val	Pro	Asp	Arg	Phe	Ser	Gly	Ser	Gly	Ser	Gly	Thr	Asp	Phe	Thr	
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ctc	aag	atc	agc	aga	gtg	gag	gtc	gat	ctg	gga	att	tat	tac	tgc	336	
Leu	Lys	Ile	Ser	Arg	Val	Glu	Ala	Glu	Asp	Leu	Gly	Ile	Tyr	Tyr	Cys	
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Phe	Gln	Ser	Ser	His	Val	Pro	Leu	Thr	Phe	Gly	Ala	Gly	Thr	Lys	Leu	
							95		100		105					

gag	ctg	aaa														393
Glu	Leu	Lys														
110																

&lt;210&gt; 28

&lt;211&gt; 131

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Murine

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;221&gt; SIGNAL

&lt;222&gt; (1)...(19)

&lt;400&gt; 28

Met	Lys	Leu	Pro	Val	Arg	Leu	Leu	Val	Leu	Met	Phe	Trp	Ile	Pro	Ala
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Ser	Ser	Ser	Asp	Val	Leu	Met	Thr	Gln	Thr	Pro	Leu	Ser	Leu	Pro	Val
	1				5				10						
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15				20					25						
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30			35					40					45		
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	50				55				55			60			
Gly	Val	Pro	Asp	Arg	Phe	Ser	Gly	Ser	Gly	Ser	Gly	Thr	Asp	Phe	Thr
	65				70				75						
Leu	Lys	Ile	Ser	Arg	Val	Glu	Ala	Glu	Asp	Leu	Gly	Ile	Tyr	Tyr	Cys
80				85					90						
Phe	Gln	Ser	Ser	His	Val	Pro	Leu	Thr	Phe	Gly	Ala	Gly	Thr	Lys	Leu
	95				100					105					
Glu	Leu	Lys													
	110														

&lt;210&gt; 29

&lt;211&gt; 417

&lt;212&gt; DNA

&lt;213&gt; Murine

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;221&gt; CDS

&lt;222&gt; (1)...(417)

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;221&gt; sig\_peptide

&lt;222&gt; (1)...(57)

&lt;400&gt; 29

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			-15					-10					-5		

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Val	Leu	Ser	Gln	Val	Thr	Leu	Lys	Glu	Ser	Gly	Pro	Gly	Ile	Leu	Lys
	1					5					10				

ccc	tca	cag	acc	ctc	agt	ctg	act	tgt	tct	tct	ggg	ttt	tca	ctg	
Pro	Ser	Gln	Thr	Leu	Ser	Leu	Thr	Cys	Ser	Phe	Ser	Gly	Phe	Ser	Leu
	15				20				25						

agc	act	tct	ggt	atg	agt	gta	ggc	tgg	att	cgt	cag	cct	tca	ggg	aag
Ser	Thr	Ser	Gly	Met	Ser	Val	Gly	Trp	Ile	Arg	Gln	Pro	Ser	Gly	Lys
	30				35				40			45			

ggt	ctg	gag	tgg	ctg	gca	cac	att	tgg	tgg	gat	gat	gat	aag	tac	tat
Gly	Leu	Glu	Trp	Leu	Ala	His	Ile	Trp	Trp	Asp	Asp	Asp	Lys	Tyr	Tyr
	50				55				60						

aac	cca	tcc	ctg	aag	agc	cg	ctc	aca	atc	tcc	aag	gat	acc	tcc	aga
Asn	Pro	Ser	Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Leu	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Thr	Ser	Arg
	65						70				75				

aac	cag	gta	ttc	ctc	aag	atc	acc	agt	gtg	gac	act	gca	gat	act	gcc
Asn	Gln	Val	Phe	Leu	Lys	Ile	Thr	Ser	Val	Asp	Thr	Ala	Asp	Thr	Ala
	80				85				90						

act	tac	tac	tgt	gct	cga	aga	act	act	acg	gct	gac	tac	ttt	gcc	tac
Thr	Tyr	Tyr	Cys	Ala	Arg	Arg	Thr	Thr	Ala	Asp	Tyr	Phe	Ala	Tyr	

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<220>  
 <221> SIGNAL  
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     1                    5                    10  
 Pro Ser Gln Thr Leu Ser Leu Thr Cys Ser Phe Ser Gly Phe Ser Leu  
   15                   20                   25  
 Ser Thr Ser Gly Met Ser Val Gly Trp Ile Arg Gln Pro Ser Gly Lys  
   30                   35                   40                   45  
 Gly Leu Glu Trp Leu Ala His Ile Trp Trp Asp Asp Asp Lys Tyr Tyr  
   50                   55                   60  
 Asn Pro Ser Leu Lys Ser Arg Leu Thr Ile Ser Lys Asp Thr Ser Arg  
   65                   70                   75  
 Asn Gln Val Phe Leu Lys Ile Thr Ser Val Asp Thr Ala Asp Thr Ala  
   80                   85                   90  
 Thr Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Arg Arg Thr Thr Thr Ala Asp Tyr Phe Ala Tyr  
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 110 115 120

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				20				25					30		
Asn	Gly	Asn	Thr	Tyr	Leu	Glu	Trp	Tyr	Leu	Gln	Lys	Pro	Gly	Gln	Ser
					35			40			45				
Pro	Gln	Leu	Leu	Ile	Tyr	Lys	Val	Ser	Asn	Arg	Phe	Ser	Gly	Val	Pro
					50			55			60				
Asp	Arg	Phe	Ser	Gly	Ser	Gly	Ser	Gly	Thr	Asp	Phe	Thr	Leu	Lys	Ile
					65			70			75			80	
Ser	Arg	Val	Glu	Ala	Glu	Asp	Val	Gly	Val	Tyr	Tyr	Cys	Phe	Gln	Ser
					85			90			95				
Ser	His	Val	Pro	Leu	Thr	Phe	Gly	Gln	Gly	Thr	Lys	Leu	Glu	Ile	Lys
				100				105					110		

&lt;210&gt; 33

&lt;211&gt; 417

&lt;212&gt; DNA

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, humanized 12A11 v1 NH sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;221&gt; sig\_peptide

&lt;222&gt; (1)...(57)

&lt;400&gt; 33

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&lt;210&gt; 34

&lt;211&gt; 120

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, h12A11v1 - VH region

&lt;400&gt; 34

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Ser	Leu	Arg	Leu	Ser	Cys	Ala	Phe	Ser	Gly	Phe	Ser	Leu	Ser	Thr	Ser
					20			25			30				

Gly	Met	Ser	Val	Gly	Trp	Ile	Arg	Gln	Ala	Pro	Gly	Lys	Gly	Leu	Glu
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35		40		45	
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Trp	Leu	Ala	His	Ile	Trp	Trp	Asp	Asp	Asp	Lys	Tyr	Tyr	Asn	Pro	Ser
					50		55			60					

Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Leu	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Thr	Ser	Lys	Asn	Thr	Val
					65		70			75			80		

Tyr	Leu	Gln	Met	Asn	Ser	Leu	Arg	Ala	Glu	Asp	Thr	Ala	Val	Tyr	Tyr
					85		90			95					

Cys	Ala	Arg	Arg	Thr	Thr	Ala	Asp	Tyr	Phe	Ala	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln	
				100			105			110					

Gly	Thr	Thr	Val	Thr	Val	Ser	Ser								
					115		120								

&lt;210&gt; 35

&lt;211&gt; 120

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, synthetic h12A11v2

&lt;400&gt; 35

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					20			25						30	
Gly	Met	Ser	Val	Gly	Trp	Ile	Arg	Gln	Ala	Pro	Gly	Lys	Gly	Leu	Glu
					35			40				45			
Trp	Val	Ala	His	Ile	Trp	Trp	Asp	Asp	Asp	Lys	Tyr	Tyr	Asn	Pro	Ser
					50			55			60				
Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Phe	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Thr	Ser	Lys	Asn	Thr	Leu
					65			70			75			80	
Tyr	Leu	Gln	Met	Asn	Ser	Leu	Arg	Ala	Glu	Asp	Thr	Ala	Val	Tyr	Tyr
					85			90					95		
Cys	Ala	Arg	Arg	Thr	Thr	Thr	Ala	Asp	Tyr	Phe	Ala	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln
					100			105					110		
Gly	Thr	Thr	Val	Thr	Val	Ser	Ser								
					115			120							

&lt;210&gt; 36

&lt;211&gt; 120

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, synthetic h12A11v2.1

&lt;400&gt; 36

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					20			25						30	
Gly	Met	Ser	Val	Gly	Trp	Ile	Arg	Gln	Ala	Pro	Gly	Lys	Gly	Leu	Glu
					35			40				45			
Trp	Val	Ala	His	Ile	Trp	Trp	Asp	Asp	Asp	Lys	Tyr	Tyr	Asn	Pro	Ser
					50			55			60				
Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Phe	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Asn	Ser	Lys	Asn	Thr	Leu
					65			70			75			80	
Tyr	Leu	Gln	Met	Asn	Ser	Leu	Arg	Ala	Glu	Asp	Thr	Ala	Val	Tyr	Tyr
					85			90					95		
Cys	Ala	Arg	Arg	Thr	Thr	Thr	Ala	Asp	Tyr	Phe	Ala	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln
					100			105					110		
Gly	Thr	Thr	Val	Thr	Val	Ser	Ser								
					115			120							

&lt;210&gt; 37

&lt;211&gt; 120

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, synthetic h12A11v3

&lt;400&gt; 37

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					20			25						30	
Gly	Met	Ser	Val	Gly	Trp	Ile	Arg	Gln	Ala	Pro	Gly	Lys	Gly	Leu	Glu
					35			40				45			
Trp	Val	Ala	His	Ile	Trp	Trp	Asp	Asp	Asp	Lys	Tyr	Tyr	Asn	Pro	Ser
					50			55			60				
Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Phe	Thr	Ile	Ser	Arg	Asp	Asn	Ser	Lys	Asn	Thr	Leu

65	70	75	80
Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr			
85	90	95	
Cys Ala Arg Arg Thr Thr Thr Ala Asp Tyr Phe Ala Tyr Trp Gly Gln			
100	105	110	
Gly Thr Thr Val Thr Val Ser Ser			
115	120		

<210> 38  
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&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, humanized 12A11 v3.1 VH sequence

&lt;220&gt;

<221> sig\_peptide  
<222> (1)...(57)

&lt;400&gt; 38

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&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, humanized 12A11 VH (version 3.1)

&lt;400&gt; 39

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					20			25			30				
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					35			40			45				
Trp	Leu	Ala	His	Ile	Trp	Trp	Asp	Asp	Asp	Lys	Tyr	Tyr	Asn	Pro	Ser
					50			55			60				
Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Phe	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Asn	Ser	Lys	Asn	Thr	Leu
					65			70			75				80
Tyr	Leu	Gln	Met	Asn	Ser	Leu	Arg	Ala	Glu	Asp	Thr	Ala	Val	Tyr	Tyr
														95	
Cys	Ala	Arg	Arg	Thr	Thr	Thr	Ala	Asp	Tyr	Phe	Ala	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln
													100	105	110
Gly	Thr	Thr	Val	Thr	Val	Ser	Ser								
								115							120

&lt;210&gt; 40

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&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, synthetic h12A11v4.1

&lt;400&gt; 40

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					20			25					30		
Gly	Met	Ser	Val	Gly	Trp	Ile	Arg	Gln	Ala	Pro	Gly	Lys	Gly	Leu	Glu
	35					40					45				
Trp	Leu	Ala	His	Ile	Trp	Trp	Asp	Asp	Asp	Lys	Tyr	Tyr	Asn	Pro	Ser
	50					55				60					
Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Leu	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Thr	Ser	Lys	Asn	Thr	Val
	65					70			75				80		
Tyr	Leu	Gln	Met	Asn	Ser	Leu	Arg	Ala	Glu	Asp	Thr	Ala	Val	Tyr	Tyr
				85				90					95		
Cys	Ala	Arg	Arg	Thr	Thr	Thr	Ala	Asp	Tyr	Phe	Ala	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln
	100					105						110			
Gly	Thr	Thr	Val	Thr	Val	Ser	Ser								
	115					120									

&lt;210&gt; 41

&lt;211&gt; 120

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, synthetic h12A11v4.2

&lt;400&gt; 41

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1					5				10				15		
Ser	Leu	Arg	Leu	Ser	Cys	Ala	Phe	Ser	Gly	Phe	Ser	Leu	Ser	Thr	Ser
					20			25				30			
Gly	Met	Ser	Val	Gly	Trp	Ile	Arg	Gln	Ala	Pro	Gly	Lys	Gly	Leu	Glu
	35					40					45				
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Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Leu	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Thr	Ser	Lys	Asn	Thr	Val
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&lt;211&gt; 120

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

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Trp	Leu	Ala	His	Ile	Trp	Trp	Asp	Asp	Asp	Lys	Tyr	Tyr	Asn	Pro	Ser
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Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr			
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50	55	60	
Leu Lys Ser Arg Leu Thr Ile Ser Lys Asp Thr Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu			
65	70	75	80
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20	25	30	
Gly Met Ser Val Gly Trp Ile Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu			
35	40	45	
Trp Val Ala His Ile Trp Trp Asp Asp Asp Lys Tyr Tyr Asn Pro Ser			
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Leu Lys Ser Arg Leu Thr Ile Ser Lys Asp Thr Ser Lys Asn Thr Val			
65	70	75	80
Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr			
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Gly Met Ser Val Gly Trp Ile Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu  
35 40 45  
Trp Leu Ala His Ile Trp Trp Asp Asp Asp Lys Tyr Tyr Asn Pro Ser  
50 55 60  
Leu Lys Ser Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Lys Asp Thr Ser Lys Asn Thr Val  
65 70 75 80  
Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr  
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Gly Met Ser Val Gly Trp Ile Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu  
35 40 45  
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50 55 60  
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Gly Met Ser Val Gly Trp Ile Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu

35	40	45
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85	90	95
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Gly Met Ser Val Gly Trp Ile Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu		
35	40	45
Trp Val Ala His Ile Trp Trp Asp Asp Asp Lys Tyr Tyr Asn Pro Ser		
50	55	60
Leu Lys Ser Arg Leu Thr Ile Ser Lys Asp Thr Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu		
65	70	75
Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr		80
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Cys Ala Arg Arg Thr Thr Ala Asp Tyr Phe Ala Tyr Trp Gly Gln		
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20	25	30
Gly Met Ser Val Gly Trp Ile Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu		
35	40	45
Trp Leu Ala His Ile Trp Trp Asp Asp Asp Lys Tyr Tyr Asn Pro Ser		
50	55	60
Leu Lys Ser Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Lys Asp Thr Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu		
65	70	75
Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr		80
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35 40 45  
Trp Val Ala His Ile Trp Trp Asp Asp Asp Lys Tyr Tyr Asn Pro Ser  
50 55 60  
Leu Lys Ser Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Lys Asp Thr Ser Lys Asn Thr Val  
65 70 75 80  
Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr  
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35 40 45  
Trp Val Ala His Ile Trp Trp Asp Asp Asp Lys Tyr Tyr Asn Pro Ser  
50 55 60  
Leu Lys Ser Arg Leu Thr Ile Ser Lys Asp Thr Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu  
65 70 75 80  
Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr  
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115 120

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35						40						45			
Trp	Leu	Ala	His	Ile	Trp	Trp	Asp	Asp	Asp	Lys	Tyr	Tyr	Asn	Pro	Ser
50						55					60				
Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Phe	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Thr	Ser	Lys	Asn	Thr	Leu
65						70					75				80
Tyr	Leu	Gln	Met	Asn	Ser	Leu	Arg	Ala	Glu	Asp	Thr	Ala	Val	Tyr	Tyr
85													95		
Cys	Ala	Arg	Arg	Thr	Thr	Ala	Asp	Tyr	Phe	Ala	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln	
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Gly	Thr	Thr	Val	Thr	Val	Ser	Ser								
115												120			

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&lt;211&gt; 120

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

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20										25				30	
Gly	Met	Ser	Val	Gly	Trp	Ile	Arg	Gln	Ala	Pro	Gly	Lys	Gly	Leu	Glu
35										40			45		
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Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Phe	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Thr	Ser	Lys	Asn	Thr	Leu
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Tyr	Leu	Gln	Met	Asn	Ser	Leu	Arg	Ala	Glu	Asp	Thr	Ala	Val	Tyr	Tyr
85										90			95		
Cys	Ala	Arg	Arg	Thr	Thr	Ala	Asp	Tyr	Phe	Ala	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln	
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&lt;211&gt; 120

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&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

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20										25			30		
Gly	Met	Ser	Val	Gly	Trp	Val	Arg	Gln	Ala	Pro	Gly	Lys	Gly	Leu	Glu
35										40			45		
Trp	Leu	Ala	His	Ile	Trp	Trp	Asp	Asp	Asp	Lys	Tyr	Tyr	Asn	Pro	Ser
50										55			60		
Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Leu	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Thr	Ser	Lys	Asn	Thr	Val
65										70			75		80
Tyr	Leu	Gln	Met	Asn	Ser	Leu	Arg	Ala	Glu	Asp	Thr	Ala	Val	Tyr	Tyr
85										90			95		
Cys	Ala	Arg	Arg	Thr	Thr	Ala	Asp	Tyr	Phe	Ala	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln	
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Ser Leu Arg Leu Ser Cys Ala Phe Ser Gly Phe Ser Leu Ser Thr Ser  
20               25               30  
Gly Met Ser Val Gly Trp Ile Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu  
35               40               45  
Trp Leu Ala His Ile Trp Trp Asp Asp Asp Lys Tyr Tyr Asn Pro Ser  
50               55               60  
Leu Lys Ser Arg Leu Thr Ile Ser Lys Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Val  
65               70               75               80  
Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr  
85               90               95  
Cys Ala Arg Arg Thr Thr Ala Asp Tyr Phe Ala Tyr Trp Gly Gln  
100              105              110  
Gly Thr Thr Val Thr Val Ser Ser  
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-15                           -10                   -5  
  
tcc agc agt gat gtt gtg atg acc caa act cca ctc tcc ctg cct gtc   96  
Ser Ser Ser Asp Val Val Met Thr Gln Thr Pro Leu Ser Leu Pro Val  
1               5               10  
  
agt ctt gga gat caa gcc tcc atc tct tgc aga tct agt cag agc ctt   144  
Ser Leu Gly Asp Gln Ala Ser Ile Ser Cys Arg Ser Ser Gln Ser Leu  
15              20              25  
  
gta cac agt gat gga aac acc tat tta cat tgg tac ctg cag aag cca   192  
Val His Ser Asp Gly Asn Thr Tyr Leu His Trp Tyr Leu Gln Lys Pro  
30              35              40              45  
  
ggc cag tct cca aaa ctc ctg atc tac aaa gtt tcc aac cga ttt tct   240  
Gly Gln Ser Pro Lys Leu Leu Ile Tyr Lys Val Ser Asn Arg Phe Ser  
50              55              60  
  
ggg gtc cca gac agg ttc agt ggc agt gga tca ggg aca gat ttc aca   288  
Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser Gly Ser Gly Ser Gly Thr Asp Phe Thr  
65              70              75  
  
ctc aag atc agc aga gtg gag gct gag gat ctg gga gtt tat ttc tgc   336

Leu Lys Ile Ser Arg Val Glu Ala Glu Asp Leu Gly Val Tyr Phe Cys  
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tct caa agt aca cat gtg tgg acg ttc ggt gga ggc acc aag ctg gaa 384  
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 Ile Lys  
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 15 20 25  
 Val His Ser Asp Gly Asn Thr Tyr Leu His Trp Tyr Leu Gln Lys Pro  
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 Gly Gln Ser Pro Lys Leu Leu Ile Tyr Lys Val Ser Asn Arg Phe Ser  
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 Leu Lys Ile Ser Arg Val Glu Ala Glu Asp Leu Gly Val Tyr Phe Cys  
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 Ile Lys  
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gtc ctg tgt gaa gtg aag ctg gtg gag tct ggg gga ggt tta gtg cag 96  
 Val Leu Cys Glu Val Lys Leu Val Glu Ser Gly Gly Leu Val Gln  
 1 5 10

cct gga ggg tcc ctg aaa ctc tcc tgt gca gcc tct gga ttt act ttc 144  
 Pro Gly Gly Ser Leu Lys Leu Ser Cys Ala Ala Ser Gly Phe Thr Phe  
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agt aga tat agt atg tct tgg gtt cgc cag act cca gag aag agg ctg 192  
 Ser Arg Tyr Ser Met Ser Trp Val Arg Gln Thr Pro Glu Lys Arg Leu  
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gag ttg gtc gca aaa att agt aat agt ggt gat aac acc tac tat cca 240  
 Glu Leu Val Ala Lys Ile Ser Asn Ser Gly Asp Asn Thr Tyr Tyr Pro  
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gac act tta aag ggc cga ttc acc atc tcc aga gac aat gcc cag aac 288  
 Asp Thr Leu Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ala Gln Asn  
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acc ctg tac ctg caa atg agc agt ctg aag tct gag gac acg gcc atg 336  
 Thr Leu Tyr Leu Gln Met Ser Ser Leu Lys Ser Glu Asp Thr Ala Met  
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tat tac tgt gca agc ggg gac tac tgg ggc caa ggc acc act ctc aca 384  
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1 5 10  
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15 20 25  
Ser Arg Tyr Ser Met Ser Trp Val Arg Gln Thr Pro Glu Lys Arg Leu  
30 35 40 45  
Glu Leu Val Ala Lys Ile Ser Asn Ser Gly Asp Asn Thr Tyr Tyr Pro  
50 55 60  
Asp Thr Leu Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ala Gln Asn  
65 70 75  
Thr Leu Tyr Leu Gln Met Ser Ser Leu Lys Ser Glu Asp Thr Ala Met  
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Val Ser Ser  
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				20				25					30		
Asn	Gly	Tyr	Asn	Tyr	Leu	Asp	Trp	Tyr	Leu	Gln	Lys	Pro	Gly	Gln	Ser
					35			40			45				
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Asp	Arg	Phe	Ser	Gly	Ser	Gly	Ser	Gly	Thr	Asp	Phe	Thr	Leu	Lys	Ile
						70				75				80	
Ser	Arg	Val	Glu	Ala	Glu	Asp	Val	Gly	Val	Tyr	Tyr	Cys	Met	Gln	Ala
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Val Thr Pro Gly Glu Pro Ala Ser Ile Ser Cys Arg Ser Ser Gln Ser
          15                  20                  25
Leu Leu His Ser Asn Gly Tyr Asn Tyr Leu Asp Trp Tyr Leu Gln Lys
          30                  35                  40
Pro Gly Gln Ser Pro Gln Leu Leu Ile Tyr Leu Gly Ser Asn Arg Ala
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Ser Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser Gly Ser Gly Ser Gly Thr Asp Phe
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Ala Val Ser Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Val
   35          40          45
Ser Ala Ile Ser Gly Ser Gly Gly Ser Thr Tyr Tyr Ala Asp Ser Val
   50          55          60
Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ala Lys Asn Ser Leu Tyr
   65          70          75          80
Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Leu Tyr Tyr Cys
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30 35 40 45  
Glu Trp Val Ser Ala Ile Ser Gly Ser Gly Ser Thr Tyr Tyr Ala  
50 55 60  
Asp Ser Val Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn  
65 70 75  
Thr Leu Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val  
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Tyr Gly Tyr Asn Tyr Leu Asp Trp Tyr Leu Gln Lys Pro Gly Gln Ser  
35 40 45  
Pro Gln Leu Leu Ile Tyr Leu Gly Ser Asn Arg Ala Ser Gly Val Pro  
50 55 60  
Asp Arg Phe Ser Gly Ser Gly Ser Gly Thr Asp Phe Thr Leu Lys Ile  
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Leu Gln Thr Pro  
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Gln Glu Ser Gly Pro Gly Leu Val Lys Pro Ser Glu Thr Leu Ser Leu  
5 10 15 20  
Thr Cys Thr Val Ser Gly Gly Ser Ile Ser Arg Gly Ser His Tyr Trp  
25 30 35  
Gly Trp Ile Arg Gln Pro Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Ile Gly Ser  
40 45 50  
Ile Tyr Tyr Ser Gly Asn Thr Tyr Phe Asn Pro Ser Leu Lys Ser Arg  
55 60 65

Val Thr Ile Ser Val Asp Thr Ser Lys Asn Gln Phe Ser Leu Lys Leu  
 70                    75                    80  
 Ser Ser Val Thr Ala Ala Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Arg Leu  
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 Gly Pro Asp Asp Tyr Thr Leu Asp Gly Met Asp Val Trp Gly Gln Gly  
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 Thr Thr Val Thr Val Ser Ser  
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 <222> (1)...(19)

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 1                    5                    10  
 Pro Ser Glu Thr Leu Ser Leu Thr Cys Thr Val Ser Gly Gly Ser Ile  
 15                    20                    25  
 Ser Ser Ser Ser Tyr Tyr Trp Gly Trp Ile Arg Gln Pro Pro Gly Lys  
 30                    35                    40                    45  
 Gly Leu Glu Trp Ile Gly Ser Ile Tyr Tyr Ser Gly Ser Thr Tyr Tyr  
 50                    55                    60  
 Asn Pro Ser Leu Lys Ser Arg Val Thr Ile Ser Val Asp Thr Ser Lys  
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 Asn Gln Phe Ser Leu Lys Leu Ser Ser Val Thr Ala Ala Asp Thr Ala  
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 Val Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Arg  
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 <222> (1)...(19)

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 1                    5                    10  
 Pro Ser Glu Thr Leu Ser Leu Thr Cys Thr Val Ser Gly Gly Ser Val  
 15                    20                    25  
 Ser Ser Gly Gly Tyr Tyr Trp Ser Trp Ile Arg Gln Pro Pro Gly Lys  
 30                    35                    40                    45  
 Gly Leu Glu Trp Ile Gly Tyr Ile Tyr Tyr Ser Gly Ser Thr Asn Tyr  
 50                    55                    60  
 Asn Pro Ser Leu Lys Ser Arg Val Thr Ile Ser Val Asp Thr Ser Lys  
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 Asn Gln Phe Ser Leu Lys Leu Ser Ser Val Thr Ala Ala Asp Thr Ala  
 80                    85                    90  
 Val Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Arg  
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-5 1 5 10  
Leu Pro Val Thr Pro Gly Glu Pro Ala Ser Ile Ser Cys Arg Ser Ser  
15 20 25  
Gln Ser Leu Leu His Ser Asn Gly Tyr Asn Tyr Leu Asp Trp Tyr Leu  
30 35 40  
Gln Lys Pro Gly Gln Ser Pro Gln Leu Leu Ile Tyr Leu Gly Ser Asn  
45 50 55  
Arg Ala Ser Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser Gly Ser Gly Ser Gly Thr  
60 65 70  
Asp Phe Thr Leu Lys Ile Ser Arg Val Glu Ala Glu Asp Val Gly Val  
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Tyr Tyr Cys Met Gln Ala Leu Gln Thr Pro Tyr Thr Phe Gly Gln Gly  
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Thr Lys Leu Glu Ile Lys  
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1 5 10  
Pro Gly Arg Ser Leu Arg Leu Ser Cys Ala Ala Ser Gly Phe Thr Phe  
15 20 25  
Ser Ser Tyr Ala Met His Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu  
30 35 40 45  
Glu Trp Val Ala Val Ile Ser Tyr Asp Gly Ser Asn Lys Tyr Tyr Ala  
50 55 60  
Asp Ser Val Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn  
65 70 75  
Thr Leu Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val  
80 85 90  
Tyr Tyr Cys Ala Arg Asp Arg His Ser Ser Ser Trp Tyr Tyr Gly Met  
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           1                  5                  10  
 Pro Gly Arg Ser Leu Arg Leu Ser Cys Ala Ala Ser Gly Phe Thr Phe  
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 Ser Ser Tyr Ala Met His Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu  
 30                  35                  40                  45  
 Glu Trp Val Ala Val Ile Ser Tyr Asp Gly Ser Asn Lys Tyr Tyr Ala  
       50                  55                  60  
 Asp Ser Val Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn  
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 Thr Leu Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val  
   80                  85                  90  
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<400> 71

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<400> 72

Leu Glu Gly Gly Pro  
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<210> 73

<211> 109

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<223> synthetic construct, consensus sequence for kappa chain

<400> 73

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 Asp Arg Val Thr Ile Thr Cys Arg Ala Ser Gln Gly Ile Ser Ser Tyr  
   20                  25                  30  
 Leu Ala Trp Tyr Gln Gln Lys Pro Gly Lys Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu Ile  
   35                  40                  45  
 Tyr Ala Ala Ser Ser Leu Gln Ser Gly Val Pro Ser Arg Phe Ser Gly  
   50                  55                  60  
 Ser Gly Ser Gly Thr Asp Phe Thr Leu Thr Ile Ser Ser Leu Gln Pro  
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 20          25          30
Tyr Leu Ala Trp Tyr Gln Gln Lys Pro Gly Gln Ala Pro Arg Leu Leu
 35          40          45
Ile Tyr Gly Ala Ser Ser Arg Ala Thr Gly Val Pro Ala Arg Phe Ser
 50          55          60
Gly Ser Gly Ser Gly Thr Asp Phe Thr Leu Thr Ile Ser Ser Leu Glu
 65          70          75          80
Pro Glu Asp Phe Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys Gln Gln His Tyr Thr Thr Pro
 85          90          95
Pro Thr Phe Gly Gln Gly Thr Lys Val Glu Ile Lys Arg Thr
100         105         110

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<210> 76
<211> 115
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<400> 76
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20	25	30	
Ser Asn Asn Lys Asn Tyr Leu Ala Trp Tyr Gln Gln Lys Pro Gly Gln			
35	40	45	
Pro Pro Lys Leu Leu Ile Tyr Trp Ala Ser Thr Arg Glu Ser Gly Val			
50	55	60	
Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser Gly Ser Gly Ser Gly Thr Asp Phe Thr Leu Thr			
65	70	75	80
Ile Ser Ser Leu Gln Ala Glu Asp Val Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys Gln Gln			
85	90	95	
His Tyr Thr Thr Pro Pro Thr Phe Gly Gln Gly Thr Lys Val Glu Ile			
100	105	110	
Lys Arg Thr			
115			

&lt;210&gt; 77

&lt;211&gt; 109

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, consensus sequence for lambda chain

&lt;400&gt; 77

Gln Ser Val Leu Thr Gln Pro Pro Ser Val Ser Gly Ala Pro Gly Gln			
1	5	10	15
Arg Val Thr Ile Ser Cys Ser Gly Ser Ser Ser Asn Ile Gly Ser Asn			
20	25	30	
Tyr Val Ser Trp Tyr Gln Gln Leu Pro Gly Thr Ala Pro Lys Leu Leu			
35	40	45	
Ile Tyr Asp Asn Asn Gln Arg Pro Ser Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Ser			
50	55	60	
Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Thr Ser Ala Ser Leu Ala Ile Thr Gly Leu Gln			
65	70	75	80
Ser Glu Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Gln Gln His Tyr Thr Thr Pro			
85	90	95	
Pro Val Phe Gly Gly Thr Lys Leu Thr Val Leu Gly			
100	105		

&lt;210&gt; 78

&lt;211&gt; 110

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; synthetic construct, consensus sequence for lambda chain

&lt;400&gt; 78

Gln Ser Ala Leu Thr Gln Pro Ala Ser Val Ser Gly Ser Pro Gly Gln			
1	5	10	15
Ser Ile Thr Ile Ser Cys Thr Gly Thr Ser Ser Asp Val Gly Gly Tyr			
20	25	30	
Asn Tyr Val Ser Trp Tyr Gln Gln His Pro Gly Lys Ala Pro Lys Leu			
35	40	45	
Met Ile Tyr Asp Val Ser Asn Arg Pro Ser Gly Val Ser Asn Arg Phe			
50	55	60	
Ser Gly Ser Lys Ser Gly Asn Thr Ala Ser Leu Thr Ile Ser Gly Leu			
65	70	75	80
Gln Ala Glu Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Gln Gln His Tyr Thr Thr			
85	90	95	
Pro Pro Val Phe Gly Gly Thr Lys Leu Thr Val Leu Gly			
100	105	110	

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<211> 107  
<212> PRT  
<213> Artificial Sequence

<220>  
<223> synthetic construct, consensus sequence for lambda chain

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Ser Tyr Glu Leu Thr Gln Pro Pro Ser Val Ser Val Ala Pro Gly Gln  
1 5 10 15  
Thr Ala Arg Ile Ser Cys Ser Gly Asp Ala Leu Gly Asp Lys Tyr Ala  
20 25 30  
Ser Trp Tyr Gln Gln Lys Pro Gly Gln Ala Pro Val Leu Val Ile Tyr  
35 40 45  
Asp Asp Ser Asp Arg Pro Ser Gly Ile Pro Glu Arg Phe Ser Gly Ser  
50 55 60  
Asn Ser Gly Asn Thr Ala Thr Leu Thr Ile Ser Gly Thr Gln Ala Glu  
65 70 75 80  
Asp Glu Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Cys Gln Gln His Tyr Thr Thr Pro Pro Val  
85 90 95  
Phe Gly Gly Gly Thr Lys Leu Thr Val Leu Gly  
100 105

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Ser Val Lys Val Ser Cys Lys Ala Ser Gly Gly Thr Phe Ser Ser Tyr  
20 25 30  
Ala Ile Ser Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Gln Gly Leu Glu Trp Met  
35 40 45  
Gly Gly Ile Ile Pro Ile Phe Gly Thr Ala Asn Tyr Ala Gln Lys Phe  
50 55 60  
Gln Gly Arg Val Thr Ile Thr Ala Asp Glu Ser Thr Ser Thr Ala Tyr  
65 70 75 80  
Met Glu Leu Ser Ser Leu Arg Ser Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys  
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100 105 110  
Gly Thr Leu Val Thr Val Ser Ser  
115 120

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1 5 10 15

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 Tyr Met His Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Gln Gly Leu Glu Trp Met  
     35                       40                       45  
 Gly Trp Ile Asn Pro Asn Ser Gly Gly Thr Asn Tyr Ala Gln Lys Phe  
     50                       55                       60  
 Gln Gly Arg Val Thr Met Thr Arg Asp Thr Ser Ile Ser Thr Ala Tyr  
     65                       70                       75                       80  
 Met Glu Leu Ser Ser Leu Arg Ser Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys  
     85                       90                       95  
 Ala Arg Trp Gly Gly Asp Gly Phe Tyr Ala Met Asp Tyr Trp Gly Gln  
     100                       105                       110  
 Gly Thr Leu Val Thr Val Ser Ser  
     115                       120

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 framework region

<400> 82  
 Gln Val Gln Leu Lys Glu Ser Gly Pro Ala Leu Val Lys Pro Thr Gln  
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 Thr Leu Thr Leu Thr Cys Thr Phe Ser Gly Phe Ser Leu Ser Thr Ser  
     20                       25                       30  
 Gly Val Gly Val Gly Trp Ile Arg Gln Pro Pro Gly Lys Ala Leu Glu  
     35                       40                       45  
 Trp Leu Ala Leu Ile Asp Trp Asp Asp Asp Lys Tyr Tyr Ser Thr Ser  
     50                       55                       60  
 Leu Lys Thr Arg Leu Thr Ile Ser Lys Asp Thr Ser Lys Asn Gln Val  
     65                       70                       75                       80  
 Val Leu Thr Met Thr Asn Met Asp Pro Val Asp Thr Ala Thr Tyr Tyr  
     85                       90                       95  
 Cys Ala Arg Trp Gly Gly Asp Gly Phe Tyr Ala Met Asp Tyr Trp Gly  
     100                       105                       110  
 Gln Gly Thr Leu Val Thr Val Ser Ser  
     115                       120

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 <223> synthetic construct, consensus sequence for heavy chain  
 framework region

<400> 83  
 Glu Val Gln Leu Val Glu Ser Gly Gly Leu Val Gln Pro Gly Gly  
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 Ser Leu Arg Leu Ser Cys Ala Ala Ser Gly Phe Thr Phe Ser Ser Tyr  
     20                       25                       30  
 Ala Met Ser Trp Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Val  
     35                       40                       45  
 Ser Ala Ile Ser Gly Ser Gly Gly Ser Thr Tyr Tyr Ala Asp Ser Val  
     50                       55                       60  
 Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Ile Ser Arg Asp Asn Ser Lys Asn Thr Leu Tyr  
     65                       70                       75                       80  
 Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys  
     85                       90                       95

Ala Arg Trp Gly Gly Asp Gly Phe Tyr Ala Met Asp Tyr Trp Gly Gln  
 100 105 110  
 Gly Thr Leu Val Thr Val Ser Ser  
 115 120

<210> 84  
<211> 119  
<212> PRT  
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<220>  
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<400> 84  
Gln Val Gln Leu Gln Glu Ser Gly Pro Gly Leu Val Lys Pro Ser Glu  
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Thr Leu Ser Leu Thr Cys Thr Val Ser Gly Gly Ser Ile Ser Ser Tyr  
 20 25 30  
Tyr Trp Ser Trp Ile Arg Gln Pro Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Ile  
 35 40 45  
Gly Tyr Ile Tyr Tyr Ser Gly Ser Thr Asn Tyr Asn Pro Ser Leu Lys  
 50 55 60  
Ser Arg Val Thr Ile Ser Val Asp Thr Ser Lys Asn Gln Phe Ser Leu  
 65 70 75 80  
Lys Leu Ser Ser Val Thr Ala Ala Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr Cys Ala  
 85 90 95  
Arg Trp Gly Gly Asp Gly Phe Tyr Ala Met Asp Tyr Trp Gly Gln Gly  
 100 105 110  
Thr Leu Val Thr Val Ser Ser  
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<220>  
<223> synthetic construct, consensus sequence for heavy chain framework region

<400> 85  
Glu Val Gln Leu Val Gln Ser Gly Ala Glu Val Lys Lys Pro Gly Glu  
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Ser Leu Lys Ile Ser Cys Lys Gly Ser Gly Tyr Ser Phe Thr Ser Tyr  
 20 25 30  
Trp Ile Gly Trp Val Arg Gln Met Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu Trp Met  
 35 40 45  
Gly Ile Ile Tyr Pro Gly Asp Ser Asp Thr Arg Tyr Ser Pro Ser Phe  
 50 55 60  
Gln Gly Gln Val Thr Ile Ser Ala Asp Lys Ser Ile Ser Thr Ala Tyr  
 65 70 75 80  
Leu Gln Trp Ser Ser Leu Lys Ala Ser Asp Thr Ala Met Tyr Tyr Cys  
 85 90 95  
Ala Arg Trp Gly Gly Asp Gly Phe Tyr Ala Met Asp Tyr Trp Gly Gln  
 100 105 110  
Gly Thr Leu Val Thr Val Ser Ser  
 115 120

<210> 86  
<211> 123  
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<213> Artificial Sequence

<220>

<223> synthetic construct, consensus sequence for heavy chain framework region

<400> 86

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															15
Thr	Leu	Ser	Leu	Thr	Cys	Ala	Ile	Ser	Gly	Asp	Ser	Val	Ser	Ser	Asn
															30
Ser	Ala	Ala	Trp	Asn	Trp	Ile	Arg	Gln	Ser	Pro	Gly	Arg	Gly	Leu	Glu
															45
Trp	Leu	Gly	Arg	Thr	Tyr	Tyr	Arg	Ser	Lys	Trp	Tyr	Asn	Asp	Tyr	Ala
															60
Val	Ser	Val	Lys	Ser	Arg	Ile	Thr	Ile	Asn	Pro	Asp	Thr	Ser	Lys	Asn
															80
Gln	Phe	Ser	Leu	Gln	Leu	Asn	Ser	Val	Thr	Pro	Glu	Asp	Thr	Ala	Val
															95
Tyr	Tyr	Cys	Ala	Arg	Trp	Gly	Gly	Asp	Gly	Phe	Tyr	Ala	Met	Asp	Tyr
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Trp	Gly	Gln	Gly	Thr	Leu	Val	Thr	Val	Ser	Ser					
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<210> 87

<211> 17

<212> PRT

<213> Artificial Sequence

<220>

<223> synthetic construct, generic signal sequence

<400> 87

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Ser															

<210> 88

<211> 450

<212> PRT

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<220>

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Ser	Leu	Arg	Leu	Ser	Cys	Ala	Phe	Ser	Gly	Phe	Ser	Leu	Ser	Thr	Ser	
															30	
Gly	Met	Ser	Val	Gly	Trp	Ile	Arg	Gln	Ala	Pro	Gly	Lys	Gly	Leu	Glu	
															45	
Trp	Leu	Ala	His	Ile	Trp	Trp	Asp	Asp	Asp	Lys	Tyr	Tyr	Asn	Pro	Ser	
															60	
Leu	Lys	Ser	Arg	Leu	Thr	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Thr	Ser	Lys	Asn	Thr	Val	
															80	
Tyr	Leu	Gln	Met	Asn	Ser	Leu	Arg	Ala	Glu	Asp	Thr	Ala	Val	Tyr	Tyr	
															95	
Cys	Ala	Arg	Arg	Thr	Thr	Ala	Asp	Tyr	Phe	Ala	Tyr	Trp	Gly	Gln		
															110	
Gly	Thr	Thr	Val	Ser	Ser	Ala	Ser	Thr	Lys	Gly	Pro	Ser	Val			
															125	
Phe	Pro	Leu	Ala	Pro	Ser	Ser	Lys	Ser	Thr	Ser	Gly	Gly	Thr	Ala	Ala	
															140	
Leu	Gly	Cys	Leu	Val	Lys	Asp	Tyr	Phe	Pro	Glu	Pro	Val	Thr	Val	Ser	

145	150	155	160
Trp Asn Ser Gly Ala Leu Thr Ser Gly Val His Thr Phe Pro Ala Val			
165	170	175	
Leu Gln Ser Ser Gly Leu Tyr Ser Leu Ser Ser Val Val Thr Val Pro			
180	185	190	
Ser Ser Ser Leu Gly Thr Gln Thr Tyr Ile Cys Asn Val Asn His Lys			
195	200	205	
Pro Ser Asn Thr Lys Val Asp Lys Lys Val Glu Pro Lys Ser Cys Asp			
210	215	220	
Lys Thr His Thr Cys Pro Pro Cys Pro Ala Pro Glu Leu Leu Gly Gly			
225	230	235	240
Pro Ser Val Phe Leu Phe Pro Pro Lys Pro Lys Asp Thr Leu Met Ile			
245	250	255	
Ser Arg Thr Pro Glu Val Thr Cys Val Val Val Asp Val Ser His Glu			
260	265	270	
Asp Pro Glu Val Lys Phe Asn Trp Tyr Val Asp Gly Val Glu Val His			
275	280	285	
Asn Ala Lys Thr Lys Pro Arg Glu Glu Gln Tyr Asn Ser Thr Tyr Arg			
290	295	300	
Val Val Ser Val Leu Thr Val Leu His Gln Asp Trp Leu Asn Gly Lys			
305	310	315	320
Glu Tyr Lys Cys Lys Val Ser Asn Lys Ala Leu Pro Ala Pro Ile Glu			
325	330	335	
Lys Thr Ile Ser Lys Ala Lys Gly Gln Pro Arg Glu Pro Gln Val Tyr			
340	345	350	
Thr Leu Pro Pro Ser Arg Glu Glu Met Thr Lys Asn Gln Val Ser Leu			
355	360	365	
Thr Cys Leu Val Lys Gly Phe Tyr Pro Ser Asp Ile Ala Val Glu Trp			
370	375	380	
Glu Ser Asn Gly Gln Pro Glu Asn Asn Tyr Lys Thr Thr Pro Pro Val			
385	390	395	400
Leu Asp Ser Asp Gly Ser Phe Phe Leu Tyr Ser Lys Leu Thr Val Asp			
405	410	415	
Lys Ser Arg Trp Gln Gln Gly Asn Val Phe Ser Cys Ser Val Met His			
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Glu Ala Leu His Asn His Tyr Thr Gln Lys Ser Leu Ser Leu Ser Pro			
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Gly Lys			
450			

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linked to the Fc portion of an IgG4 isotype

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Gly Met Ser Val Gly Trp Ile Arg Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Glu			
35	40	45	
Trp Leu Ala His Ile Trp Trp Asp Asp Asp Lys Tyr Tyr Asn Pro Ser			
50	55	60	
Leu Lys Ser Arg Leu Thr Ile Ser Lys Asp Thr Ser Lys Asn Thr Val			
65	70	75	80
Tyr Leu Gln Met Asn Ser Leu Arg Ala Glu Asp Thr Ala Val Tyr Tyr			
85	90	95	
Cys Ala Arg Arg Thr Thr Ala Asp Tyr Phe Ala Tyr Trp Gly Gln			
100	105	110	
Gly Thr Thr Val Thr Val Ser Ser Ala Ser Thr Lys Gly Pro Ser Val			

	115	120	125
Phe Pro Leu Ala Pro Cys Ser Arg Ser Thr Ser Glu Ser Thr Ala Ala			
130	135	140	
Leu Gly Cys Leu Val Lys Asp Tyr Phe Pro Glu Pro Val Thr Val Ser			
145	150	155	160
Trp Asn Ser Gly Ala Leu Thr Ser Gly Val His Thr Phe Pro Ala Val			
165	170	175	
Leu Gln Ser Ser Gly Leu Tyr Ser Leu Ser Ser Val Val Thr Val Pro			
180	185	190	
Ser Ser Ser Leu Gly Thr Lys Thr Tyr Thr Cys Asn Val Asp His Lys			
195	200	205	
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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER  
INV. A61K39/395 A61P25/28 C07K16/18

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## B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)  
C07K A61P

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

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## Box No. I Nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence(s) (Continuation of item 1.b of the first sheet)

1. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, the international search was carried out on the basis of:
  - a. type of material
    - a sequence listing
    - table(s) related to the sequence listing
  - b. format of material
    - on paper
    - in electronic form
  - c. time of filing/furnishing
    - contained in the international application as filed
    - filed together with the international application in electronic form
    - furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purpose of search
2.  In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table relating thereto has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.
3. Additional comments:

**FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210**

Continuation of Box II.1

Although claims 1-34 and 60 are directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.

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Continuation of Box II.2

Claims Nos.: 52-57 (completely) 60 (in part)

Claims 52-57 (completely) and 60 (in part) refer to antibodies by means of internal designation (C6C, 1C2, 2B1), while the application does not provide any disclosure (Article 5 PCT) for the structural features of said antibodies that would allow the person skilled in the art to reproduce the present invention.

No search could be carried out with respect to the undisclosed antibodies of claims 52-57 and thus not over any of the subject-matter of said claims and those parts of claim 60 relating thereto.

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that claims relating to inventions in respect of which no international search report has been established need not be the subject of an international preliminary examination (Rule 66.1(e) PCT). The applicant is advised that the EPO policy when acting as an International Preliminary Examining Authority is normally not to carry out a preliminary examination on matter which has not been searched. This is the case irrespective of whether or not the claims are amended following receipt of the search report or during any Chapter II procedure. If the application proceeds into the regional phase before the EPO, the applicant is reminded that a search may be carried out during examination before the EPO (see EPO Guideline C-VI, 8.5), should the problems which led to the Article 17(2) declaration be overcome.

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### Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1.  Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:  

Although claims 1–34 and 60 are directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.
2.  Claims Nos.: 52–57 (completely) 60 (in part)  
because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:  

see FURTHER INFORMATION sheet PCT/ISA/210
3.  Claims Nos.: because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

### Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

1.  As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.
2.  As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3.  As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
4.  No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

#### Remark on Protest

- The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.  
 No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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